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Council Support Displayed For Police Relocation

by Dale Fiske
Advertiser News Municipal Writer

Although the proposed relocation of the Agawam Police Department from the Agawam Town Hall to the former Peirce Elementary School did receive some criticism at the last regular meeting of Town Council, prompting some observers to claim the relocation effort may be in jeopardy, several councilors polled by the *Advertiser News* have voiced strong approval of it or have issued supportive statements.

Councilors To Receive Tour

At presstime, councilors were scheduled to meet with members of the Peirce Building Committee and architect Douglas Goodman, representing Reinhardt Associates, the firm selected by the committee to conduct the design work on the relocation project. Councilors were to be given an on-site inspection by building committee members.

However, the *Advertiser News* today learned that the inspection was canceled.

According to plans presented by committee chairman Edward G. Borgatti, who is also a councilor at-large, the Peirce building will house police administrative offices, detective bureau, booking area, armorer's room, exercise room, and separate showers and lockerrooms for policemen and policewomen.

As proposed, the station will consist of eight men's cells, two women's cells, and a juvenile lock-up that is separate from all adult holding areas.

The new cells would comply with state mandates regarding detention of all prisoners. Presently, women and juvenile prisoners must be brought to other communities for incarceration at an expense to the town.

A new gas-fired heating system is also proposed for the building. The unit will go on the flat-top roof that will cover what is now an open courtyard. By closing the courtyard, said committee member Raymond Charest, extra space is gained to satisfy all the department's needs.

The proposed complex would also host the auxiliary police, town Civil Defense, and an emergency control center. A community room is also planned for the annex area.

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To Our Readers

Because of the Patriot's Day holiday, Monday, April 21st, our offices will be closed Friday, April 18th, and Monday, April 21st. We will reopen for business, Tuesday morning, April 22nd, at 6:30 a.m. Please slide all news, classifieds, etc., under our door. Thank-you

Mayor Neal Guest Of Agawam Chamber



THE NEW OFFICERS FOR THE Agawam Chamber of Commerce were introduced at the chamber's Annual Meeting, Tuesday, April 8th. Springfield Mayor Richard Neal was the guest speaker at the affair, held at Chez Josef. From left - Donald Anderson, second vice-president; Katherine Schlaffer, first vice-president; Neal, Richard Aldrich, president; and Mark Haymes, outgoing president. (Please turn to Page 4 for story, more pictures). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

CROP Walk Major Success For Churches



A LARGE CONTINGENT OF AGAWAM RESIDENTS, representing many of the town's churches, gathered for the Annual Agawam CROP Walk for world hunger, Sunday, April 13th, at the Agawam High School. In front are walkers holding banners for the Agawam United Methodist Church and St. Theresa's in North Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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The original proposal estimated the cost for the project at about \$200,000. However, new figures submitted by the committee project costs to be approximately \$600,000.

When asked for comment, Councilor Philip DeForge commented, "I think it (the relocation plan) is alright. We'll be taking a look at what's going to be done to renovate it. I'm a little disappointed in the cost going up over projections. Still, the plans seem solid."

Precinct 1 Councilor Mario DeLucchi was most emphatic about the proposal. "I'm 150 percent for the plans. I've been for it from the beginning. I think it's the best and the cheapest way to house the police."

Skolnick Says It's Ideal Spot

David Skolnick, councilor at-large, stated, "The Peirce building is an ideal spot for the police. It is the geographical center of Agawam. It's equidistant between Feeding Hills Center and Agawam Center."

"The Police Department needs a new facility. They outgrew the one at Town Hall years ago. This seems to be the best and cheapest solution."

Council Vice-President Dorothy Nelsen said she believes the Peirce building is the best alternative available to the town for relocating the police.

Mrs. Nelsen said, "I have been for doing something about the police for a long time now. This is our best alternative as far as I am concerned. I think the plan will get council approval."

"I'd like to commend the committee. I think they have worked very hard and have come up with some good plans. By moving the Police Department from Town Hall, it will make more room there and alleviate some of the overcrowding problems for other town departments."

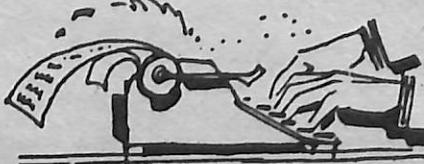
Precinct 6 Councilor Benjamin Lockhart said the building committee has acted in good faith in presenting its proposal to the council.

"While it's going to cost more money than originally we thought it would, I believe that when you do something, do it right. We should listen to the police and make sure we have a station that takes care of all state regulations. We don't want the police to feel like they will have to work in a cellar forever," said Lockhart.

Council President Andrew C. Gallano reserved comment on the plan until he tours the building and receives more information about the project.

Building committee members have strongly urged the council to support the plan. Besides Borgatti and Charest, Precinct 4 Councilor Anthony Saracino sits on the committee.

Letters-to-the-Editor



Bus Safety Again Addressed

To The Editor:

I am also concerned about the safety of children on school buses. I drive four loads of students everyday in Agawam, two of them have 75 students on each load. Yes, the students are "squished" four in a seat, but it is my opinion they are safer sitting than standing in the aisle if I have to stop suddenly.

I have a **one time cost** solution to the problem of overcrowding, **sidewalks**. Springfield, North, South, and School Streets are just a few examples of streets where children ride buses but live within the legal walking limit of the school they attend.

Sidewalks would take the extra 10 off the buses with loads up to 75. Contact your School Committee; but also contact the Agawam Department of Public Works and question **why** we don't have sidewalks on these streets and others near schools?

Nobody wants an accident to happen — especially me! We (your school bus drivers) try very hard to transport your children to and from school safely each day. Our safety record speaks for itself. It may sound like "I am blowing my own horn," but we all need to know we do a good job and our service is **appreciated**. Thank you for reading this. I hope it is helpful to our mutual problem.

Sincerely,
Caroline Bassett
Agawam

Hockey Association Says Thanks .

To The Editor:

On behalf of our association, we would like to thank you for all your support during our hockey season.

Barbara Mastroianni
Secretary
Agawam-W.Sfld. Hockey Association

Representative Walsh Holds Agawam Office Hours

Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) will be holding office hours for his Agawam constituents, Saturday, April 19th. Walsh will be available from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., at the Agawam Public Library.

Constituents who are unable to attend these hours and wish to meet with Representative Walsh may contact him, by calling 786-4545.

LEGAL NOTICE

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AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a rescheduled Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m., on May 1, 1986, in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing was originally scheduled on April 17, 1986. This hearing will be to hear the petition of Donald L. Ugolini to rezone approximately 2.20 acres of land located to the rear of property located at 410 Springfield Street, being further described and bounded:

Description for Donald L. Ugolini, Springfield Street, Agawam, MA.

Description of property in the Town of Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts identified as Lot No. 5 on Land Court Case No. 20775 and as shown on a plan of property for Donald L. Ugolini dated Feb., 1986, Plan No. 2960-01 and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin at the Southeasterly corner of land of John A. McPherson at the Northwesterly line of Springfield Street and running thence N33°27'29" W along land of said McPherson, 189.41' to an iron pin; thence S55°20'55" W continuing along land of said McPherson, 121.97' to an iron pin; thence N15°32'46" W along lands of Ferranti, Paolucci and Klupp, 306.36' to an iron pin; thence N78°24'06" E along lands of Fisher, Ryan and Vogel, 298.87' to a concrete bound; thence S15°38'48" E along land of Colton, 54.14' to an iron pin; thence S74°21'12" W along land of owner Unknown, 24.75' to an iron pin; thence S15°38'48" E along land of owner Unknown, 338.41' to an iron pin; thence S56°02'16" W along the Northwesterly line of Springfield Street, 106.02' to the iron pin marking the point of beginning; and containing an area of 2.20 acres.

Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman
AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD
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SPRINGFIELD MAYOR RICHARD NEAL was the guest speaker at the Agawam Chamber of Commerce's Annual Meeting, Tuesday, April 8th. Here, Neal (left) congratulates new chamber President Richard Aldrich.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CHAMBER MEMBERS, from left - John Mercadante, Joe Ferrari, and Al Taupier enjoy the hot snacks at the chamber's Annual Meeting at Chez Josef. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

New Chamber Leaders Introduced At Annual Meeting April 8th

by Dale Fiske
Advertiser News Municipal Writer

Richard E. Aldrich officially assumed his new position as president of the 200-member Agawam Chamber of Commerce last Tuesday at Chez Josef.

Aldrich resides in Feeding Hills and owns the Richard E. Aldrich Insurance Agency in Feeding Hills. He is the seventh president of the chamber. He took over the office from Mark Haymes, the 1985-1986 president.

Haymes was presented with a plaque "in gratitude for an outstanding job."

Aldrich told the group, "Teamwork is the theme of our "Program of Work" this year. Teamwork must be among our members, with the town government, and with the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce."

He added, "My request to you now is to continue, even intensify, this spirit of cooperation and involvement to foster the growth of the Chamber and the Town of Agawam."

Special guest Mayor Richard Neal of Springfield also addressed the Chamber, saying, "I think Agawam is a beautiful community and we look forward to working with you. We have to go beyond the parochial feeling that what is good for one town isn't good for another. We're in this together as a region."

Neal went on to say Agawam and Springfield have problems common to both towns that should be "treated with a common approach." Land development, acid rain, resource recovery, water supply, and coping with Proposition 2½, are a few of the problems Neal referred to.

Neal also told the Chamber, "I see Agawam as having well-planned out, patterned growth. Pro-growth attitudes are to be developed. I get upset with people who say you can't have growth without losing open land. You can. One doesn't have to be at the expense of the other."

Other officers named at Tuesday's annual meeting were: Dr. Katherine Schlaffer, first vice-president; Donald Anderson, second vice-president; Anthony Grimaldi, treasurer; and Attorney Victor D. Govoni, clerk.

Before adjourning to a reception that followed the ceremony, Aldrich concluded, "It is a privilege to lead the chamber this year. I look forward to a successful term with your continued support."

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LEGAL LINES

by Attorney Steven L. Harvey
of Pacella & Hebert - Feeding Hills

In Defense Of Intoxication?

An interesting rule of law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is that generally, voluntary drunkenness is not a defense to a crime, *Commonwealth v. Malone*, 114 Mass. 295 (1874). The rule also applies to being under the influence of drugs, *Commonwealth v. Costa*, 359 Mass. 177 (1971).

The reason this rule is of particular interest is that crimes are generally described with reference to both the act committed, and the intent behind the action, that is, the physical element and the mental element.

For example, the difference between murder and manslaughter lies in the different state of mind that must be proved in order for one to be found guilty of one or the other. Murder requires a deliberate intent, called "malice aforethought," or its equivalent. Manslaughter, on the other hand, is a killing without a malicious state of mind.

So, in many crimes, some specific mental state must be shown before one is considered to have committed a particular crime. Crimes of this sort are known as "specific intent" crimes, and include such crimes as burglary (breaking and entering with intent to commit a felony), or larceny (intent to steal).

Because of this "intent" requirement, unless a person can be shown to have the specific intent for a particular crime, then that person is found innocent of the particular crime.

In many states, intoxication is a defense where it can be shown that the accused was so influenced by drink or drugs that the accused would not have been able to have the intent of the particular crime. It seems quite logical that one should not be punished for something that one did not mean to do.

One therefore wonders why the courts of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have not allowed a voluntary intoxication defense. The opinion of this writer is that specific intent crimes arise from society's recognition that some mental states are so dangerous to the social order that they warrant special treatment.

For example, someone who takes another's automobile intending to sell it for parts is more dangerous to society than someone who intends to drive to the movies and return it later.

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by Charles Alvanos
IDS-American Exp.
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Inflation - What It Means Today

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That's good news for consumers who, in many places, are now paying well under a dollar for a gallon of gas.

Oil prices are an important part of the U.S. inflation picture, and those lower prices are helping to keep inflation down. In fact, many economists are predicting that 1986 will be the fourth straight year with inflation under 4 percent.

Still, it's not that hard to recall the late 1970s and early 1980s when double-digit inflation was common. Remember when inflation actually reached 14 percent?

The only advantage to such high inflation is that it increased the value of our hard assets - real estate, precious metals, collectibles, etc. Particularly, we found that our homes were a good investment. They kept going up in value.

That's not true these days. Many homes are continuing to appreciate in price, but not nearly as much as they did a few years ago. And in some areas of the country, home prices are dropping. It's clear that at least for the time being, we can no longer count on our homes as an "investment."

What that means is that we must pay closer attention to our other investments. During the days of high inflation, some of us figured that just the appreciation in our homes would be enough for retirement - we could sell the house and use the money to meet our daily needs. Because it doesn't work that way anymore, we have to make sure our overall financial plan is in order.

Without inflation-fueled appreciation, it's more important than ever to have a balanced financial plan, one that provides for short-term emergency needs, medium-range goals and objectives (such as college education for the kids or the purchase of a boat), and long-term retirement goals.

Specific plans, of course, depend on individual objectives and your age. Someone close to retirement, for example, will probably not want long-term growth investments in his or her financial plan.

If your investments and your financial plan are based on the days of high inflation, take some time to have them reviewed. Having a financial plan is important, but it is just as important to make sure you keep it up to date. Times change - and so should financial plans.

Just remember: financial planning is a process. It's not something that is etched in stone.

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Southworth Preparing For Relocation

by Dale Fiske
Advertiser News Municipal Writer

While the faltering of Buxton Company in Agawam is unfortunate for everyone involved, especially the many Agawam residents who lost their jobs due to the plant shutdown, the purchase of most of the facility by Southworth Paper Company, Inc., of West Springfield will keep the plant productive and an important part of the town's economic lifeline.

Buxton closed-down the manufacturing portion of the facility due to high costs and increased foreign competition. It will maintain corporate offices there in a small portion of the main building.

Company President John Southworth, in an interview with the *Advertiser News* last week, said, "I'm very sorry about what happened to Buxton and for the many good people it employed. However, the building becoming available to us so we can expand is a very good thing."

Almost 150 Years In Business

Since 1839, Southworth Company has been the manufacturer of quality cotton fiber content bonds, typewriter paper, and onionskins. Southworth Company markets its products worldwide and claims to be the world's oldest manufacturer of typewriter paper.

In 1970, Southworth Company diversified its line to include business calendars. This line has grown to over 200 items such as wall calendars, weekly desk pads, appointment books, business planners, and daily ledgers and journals.

Southworth Company's calendar division has been leasing space in West Springfield, but as the company's president told us, "We've run out of space. We had to do something. When the Buxton building became available, we jumped at the opportunity."

When the calendar business kicked-off at Southworth Company 16 years ago, it employed 16 people. Today, the company employs 47 full-time people.

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This is why there is a harsher penalty for larceny of a motor vehicle than there is for joy riding. So, the logic behind the Massachusetts intoxication rule is that one who intends to get so drunk that they cannot form various specific intents, intends to commit an antisocial act.

That extreme intoxication is dangerous enough to the body politic that the intent to get extremely intoxicated will be counted as equal to the specific intent required for any offense the intoxicated person might commit.

Note, however, that involuntary intoxication is a defense. So that if one took a drug by mistake or if one encountered a "whiskey monster" which made one

ple and 20 part-time people. "I can't predict with total accuracy on the growth we will have in the future. Eventually, I do hope we can hire more people from Agawam for our new facility."

Prior to the unfortunate situation at Buxton's, Southworth Company had considered buying property in the Agawam Regional Industrial Park. Tentative plans included constructing a 200,000 square-foot building.

WestMass Development Corporation, owners and operators of the industrial park, petitioned the Planning Board for a zone change on 20 acres of land owned by Anita & Leonard Rising, as well as an 11-acre parcel from Richard Thomas, Sr., and Richard Thomas, Jr., of West Springfield.

WestMass would purchase the property to accommodate Southworth Company's needs. The zoning on the approximately 33 acres had to be changed to industrial in order for Southworth Company to be able to build.

Local Support Strong

When the industrial park deal fell through due to the availability of the Buxton building, the Agawam Town Council approved Southworth Company's request to the state for industrial bonds on a unanimous vote. Across-the-board, local officials were quite pleased about Southworth Company's purchase of the facility.

Southworth said he hopes to be fully operational in Agawam by year's end. "We will be spending most of the fall months moving over. This move entails all raw materials, and stock and calendar equipment.

"Overall, we are very pleased to be coming to Agawam," Southworth told us. "The present working conditions are very cramped. Our employees are pleased because of the cramped conditions. Eventually, we may move all of our offices to the second floor of the Agawam building."

drink against one's will, then one would have a defense of intoxication.

It would seem that an intoxicated alcoholic or one addicted to drugs could argue that the intoxication was involuntary, but apparently such cases have not come before the courts of Massachusetts.

This article is provided to familiarize readers with general concepts. Professional advice is recommended for answers to personal questions or circumstances.

**Steven L. Harvey
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The bride-elect was graduated from Agawam High School and Holyoke Community College. She is employed at United Technologies Diesel Systems.

Her fiance was graduated from Agawam High School. He is employed at Maybury Associates, Inc.

Agawam Baptist Church Plans Spring Smorgasbord

The United Women's Fellowship, Agawam Baptist Church, at the corner of Main and Elm Streets, is sponsoring a spring smorgasbord, Saturday, May 3rd, at 5:00 and 6:15 p.m.

The menu will consist of fruit cup, home-baked beans, baked ham, turkey, Swedish meatballs, deviled eggs, American chop suey, beets, green bean casserole, sauerkraut, potato salad, sunshine salad, tossed salad, relish tray, assorted homemade pies, rolls, coffee, tea or milk.

The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. For reservations call 786-0337, 786-8624, or 786-8609.

April La Leche Meeting Postponed To May 19th

The Monday morning April 21st La Leche League meeting is being postponed until May 19th. Time and place are still the same.

If you have any questions or need information, call Sue, 732-9256, or Jeanne, 739-7923.

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HERITAGE HALL RESIDENTS who have enjoyed the past 15 years at the North Building of the facility gathered for a party last week. Back row, from left - Mary Lepak, Mae Menard, Lena DePinto, Helene McKillop, and Ellen Moon. Seated - Magdeline Fleming, Hazel Anderson, and Gertrude Wilbur. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Heritage Hall Residents Celebrate 15th

Suspended clusters of green and white balloons decorated the scene as Heritage Hall residents and their families joined together to celebrate Heritage Hall's North Building's 15th Anniversary.

The highlight of the reception was the recognition of residents who have resided in the building since its opening in 1971. The awarding of roses was com-

plimented by delicious refreshments and pleasant conversation.

Happy 15th Anniversary to North Building residents: Mary Schoolcraft, Lena DePinto, Ellen Moon, Gertrude Wilbur, Dora Faucher, Magdeline Fleming, Mae Manard, Mary LePak, Hazel Anderson, and Helene McKillop.

St. John's Church Begins Exercise Programs

Beginning the week of April 21st, a new women's exercise/aerobics class begins. Classes will be held Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

New classes are forming for those interested in teen exercise, pre-school dance/exercise, adult coed exercise, and morning women's exercise.

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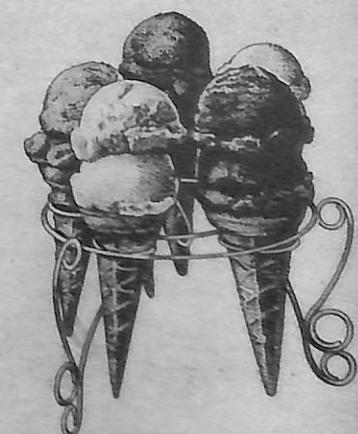
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Donald J. Lohnes Honored As Shriners' Potentate

Donald John Lohnes of 5 Millbrook Drive, Wilbraham, was honored at the 75th Illustrious Potentate of Melha Shrine Temple, Springfield.

The reception was held at Chez Josef in Agawam, Saturday, April 12th. Chief Rabban Ralph W. Semb presided as chairman for the event which was attended by some 500 Shrine Nobles, ladies, and guests, including presiding potentates and their representatives from 14 Shrine Temples from New England and Canada.

In attendance were the Most Worshipful Grand Master David B. Richardson, of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts; and the Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, J. Philip Berquist and Arthur H. Melanson.

Right Worshipful Robert Godbout, grand marshall and Right Worshipful Albert T. Ames and Right Worshipful Robert C. Patey, past grand marshals of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, also attended.

Also in attendance were Leslie P. Lohnes and Ronald E. Lohnes, aides to the potentate.

Grand entry was led by the potentate's personal piper, David Goodhue.

The honor guard was represented by Melha Temple's own Hadji Mini-Scooter Unit. Donald Lohnes received his 33rd Masonic degree in Detroit, Michigan, in 1985.

Melha Shrine Temple, Springfield, is one of 188 Shrine Temples in North America and Canada that support 19 orthopedic hospitals and three burns treatment centers.

All the hometown news with us, AAN!



ON SATURDAY EVENING, April 12th, Donald J. Lohnes of Wilbraham, Illustrious Potentate of Melha Temple Shriners, Springfield, was honored at a formal reception. Attending the event to bring the greetings of the Nobles from the Agawam-Suffield area were these Ambassadors of Good Will Walter Buckstuhl, Potentate Lohnes, and William Harrison.

Debra A. Bombardier Engaged To Alan A. Mazza

Mr. & Mrs. William E. Bombardier of 64 Artisan Street, Chicopee, announce the engagement of their daughter, Debra A. Bombardier, to Alan A. Mazza, son of Mr. & Mrs. Rick Mazza of Clover Hill Drive, Feeding Hills.

Miss Bombardier is a graduate of Chicopee High School and is employed at Burger King Restaurant, Chicopee, and Albert Steiger's Company, Holyoke Mall.

Her fiance is a graduate of Agawam High School. He is in the U.S. Air Force stationed in Texas.

An April wedding is planned.

Sons Of Norway Plan April 25th Meeting

Sons of Norway, Neptune Lodge 552 will hold its next meeting Friday, April 25th, at 8:00 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church, 1552 West Springfield.

All persons of Scandinavian descent or persons interested in Norwegian culture are welcome. Please call Egil Nilsson, social director. For further information, 568-1874.

Agawam Women's Club Plans Annual Spring Tea

The Agawam Women's Club will hold its Annual Spring Tea, Tuesday, April 22nd, at 1:30 p.m., at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam.

All senior ladies of Agawam and Feeding Hills are cordially invited to the friendship tea. The club has been sponsoring this event since 1938, and have welcomed many ladies through the years. We extend another (warm) invitation to you to join us for another pleasant afternoon social.

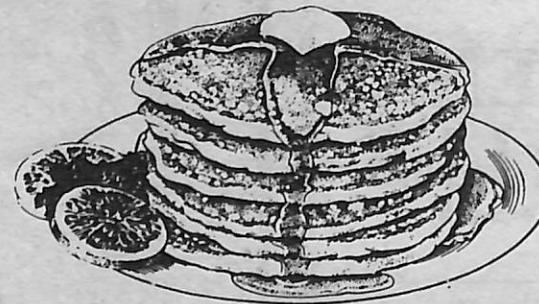
Mittineague Cong. Church Sponsors Rummage Sale

The Spring Rummage Sale sponsored by the Women's Guild of the Mittineague Congregational Church of 1840 Westfield Street, West Springfield, will be held in the Charles King Fellowship Hall of their church, Friday, April 18th. Doors will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The sale will be open to the public and will offer clothing for everyone in the family. Also available will be linens, toys, books, bric-a-brac, glassware, and many household items.

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Polish Women's Auxiliary Holds Chinese Auction



SELLING ASSORTED BOOKS at the Chinese Auction at the Polish American Club, Sunday, April 13th, were, from left - Mary Labun and Cecilia Menard. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



HELPING TO ORGANIZE THE FIRST ANNUAL CHINESE AUCTION at the Polish American Club, Sunday, April 13th, were, from left - Gail Curnow, Chris Jeserski, and Sheryl Mardeusz. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Kristyne Wage Wins Twirling Championship

Kristyne Wage, 14, of Feeding Hills, was named "1986 Northeast Regional Twirling Champion" in a two-day regional competition at Westfield Middle School, March 8th and 9th. This is the second year she won the title and was awarded an engraved plaque and trophy.

Kristyne competed in the Intermediate Division in her age group against twirlers from throughout the northeast. She performed a two-minute routine in which she was judged for variety, difficulty, baton speed and control, showmanship, and overall presentation.

Kristyne is a ninth grade cheerleader at the Agawam Junior High and has studied jazz, acrobatics, and baton for the past seven years. She is also a featured twirler for the Agawam High Marching Mohawks.

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VFW Auxiliary Sponsored Kids Identification Program

The Agawam Ladies Auxiliary to VFW 1632 helped in the Nationwide Kids Identification Program held in Center Square, Springfield, the week of April 7th to 13th. Rita Shea (who also plays Mrs. Santa for the VFW during the Christmas season) and several other auxiliary members volunteered.

Working with Rita was Peggy Brown, secretary 1632; Marge Driscoll, treasurer; Gladys Belcher, chaplain elect; Mary Wallin, new auxiliary member; and Theresa Kaplinger, new auxiliary member.

These women all feel they have taken an active part in securing the safety of many children in local areas.

Safety pamphlets for the children were handed out along with balloons. Games and puzzles were available for the children while they waited for their brothers and/or sisters to be fingerprinted.

Anyone in Agawam interested in having their children fingerprinted can contact Mrs. Shea, 732-0681, or call the post home and a date can be set up.

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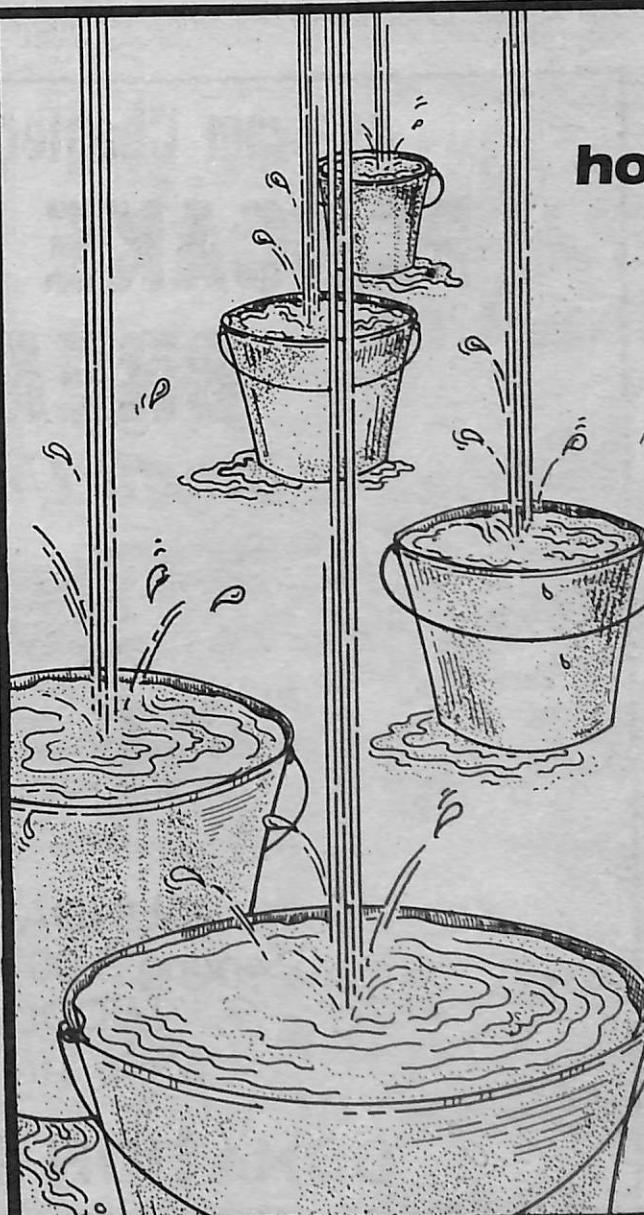
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Counseling Center Board Receives In-House Seminar



ON APRIL 1ST & 8TH, Larry Jacobs, executive director for the Springfield Day Nursery, made a presentation to the Agawam Counseling Center's board of directors. The presentation focused on board functions, strategy planning, and evaluation. Jacobs is a trainer for similar boards of directors in the area. Board members above are, from left - Connie Letendre, Jacobs, Robin Clark, executive director, Dorothy Coon, Fred Affleck, Peg Brown, Marion Ekstedt, and Pat Serafino. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MORE COUNSELING CENTER DIRECTORS, from left - Nancy Hellquist, James Coon, Teryl Jansons, George Hellquist, Bill Quinn, and Robert Hodges. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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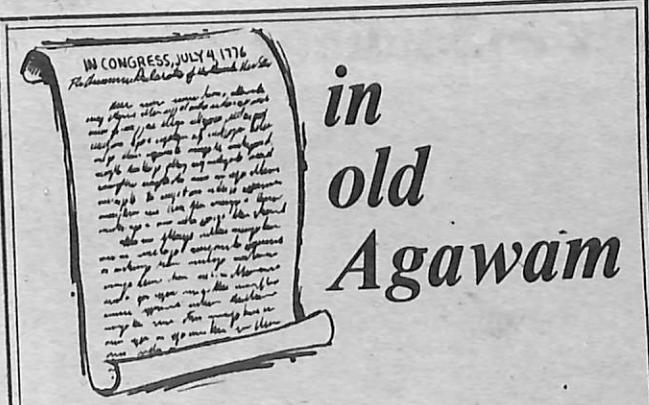
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Publisher's Note: In Part II of a three-part series, local historians Marilyn & Dick Curry review the circumstances surrounding the ancient Indian burial site on Federal Hill, Agawam.

Authentic Verification

Although we had for years been aware of the Indian burial site as told to us by a few of the elders of our town, we did recall that on several occasions, in fact, during the first possible assault on this land, we were able to substantiate recorded fact that the site was what it was presumed to be by word of mouth.

Yet this was not enough, since we must have written proof. The Commonwealth needs substantial evidence in writing that the site was an Indian burial ground to protect it from development.

Our first impulse was to refer to the town history by Edith LaFrancis. We were not disappointed! In her section dealing with local cemeteries, Edith commenced with the following information:

"The earliest burial of which there is record at Cooper Street was in 1736, although the stone has crumbled and gone now. The marker of Keziah Cooper, who died in 1742, has become unreadable in the last few years; air pollution is hastening the destruction of stones."

Again the author states: "The first Cemetery Commissioners, F.N. Leonard, Daniel Leonard, and Robert Ely, Jr., elected in 1901, reported that The Old Burial Ground on Federal Hill, which was used by the Indians as well as by the first settlers of "Agawam Plantation," as well as their descendants to the present time, is the property of the town and is estimated to contain one-and-one-half acres."

The site to which Edith refers is, of course, the Old North or Federal Hill Cemetery on Cooper Street. At this juncture we decided to backtrack our research.

Accordingly, we referred to the town's 1955 Centennial booklet and the section dealing with cemeteries. Sure enough, we did find a brief reference to the Old North (Federal Hill) Cemetery with reference to the Indian Burial Ground. It reads: "The oldest of the burial grounds is the formerly called Old North, or Federal Hill Cemetery on Cooper Street, a town cemetery which originally is said to have been an Indian Burial Ground before the advent of the white settlers."

Certainly, one would think that this information in itself would be sufficient proof that the area in question was worthy of preservation without further ado! Still, we had hopes of finding even more conclusive reference to the site that would be even more substantial. We did indeed discover such a reference in the bi-bible of Connecticut Valley histories - Evert's book!

Proof Of The Matter

Volume II of Evert's (1879) famous classic of local valley history provided all the proof we, or anyone else, should need to verify that the sit in question is what it always has been claimed - in Indian burial ground!

We quote from Evert's topic on Burial-Places (Agawam): "The oldest burying ground in Agawam is in the north part of the town. It was first used by the Indians, and, although the inclosure is not a large one, it is supposed to have been the burial-place of many of the natives."

"In digging graves, their bones are frequently found a foot or two below the ordinary depth, and the bodies are all laid with heads toward the east."

It would be interesting to note the authority Evert's referred to in establishing his information. Certainly, such reference might easily provide even more data relative to the local natives!

Unfortunately, there seems little material available concerning our Indians of the Connecticut River Valley. What there is seems usually caught-up in a matrix of technical terms and rather profound judgements that are somewhat too in-depth for the average layman's comprehension.

Apparently, someone must have accomplished at least some preliminary excavations of the site in question (to allow for Evert's statement attesting to the manner in which the skeletal remains (all) were at rest with their heads directed toward the east). In fact, someone must have found first that the dead were located in shallow graves!

Obviously, our forefathers, upon learning of the earlier burial site of the local Indians, did indeed respect the location for what it was and surely made no effort to desecrate the land other than using it for their own burial ground.

The Agawam Advertiser News**Site Provides A Variety Of Questions**

Upon visiting the site, one becomes caught up in a seemingly sombre state of mind. Perhaps, it is not so strange to realize that ancient burial grounds of the early settlers or Indians always appear to take one's thoughts back to the 17th and 18th centuries.

Regardless of the fact that these sites may be sitting in the very heart of a busy metropolis during the hectic mid-day activities, the visitors to the grave site become lost in time (to that very period of time to which the site is accorded).

Certainly, such is the case when one visits the old Granary Burial Grounds in the heart of Boston. Surrounded by towering buildings, just off one of Bean Town's busiest thoroughfares, and during any hour of the day or evening, this burial ground seems completely removed from the reality of today. The visitor cannot help but appreciate the quiet and sombre majesty of another period of time while perusing the ancient stones within the enclosure.

So, it is true when you visit the earliest of cemeteries in Agawam and Feeding Hills. No matter what time of day it is you seem enveloped in another time frame whilst visiting these archaic burial grounds! And so it is with the Old Federal Hill site with its adjoining neighbor, the Indian burial grounds.

To visit this site one need only to walk about the area. In a short time a number of questions arise, viz., How many native Americans are buried here? How vast an area of ground is covered by this early site? When was the burial ground first used by the Indians? In what manner did they bury their deceased?

Question upon question comes to mind. Unfortunately, no recorded history remains to provide a true accounting. In this matter, there is more than a degree of sadness.

We citizens of Agawam and Feeding Hills are indeed blessed in having a known and still respected burial ground that is attributed to the First Americans!

Indeed, it would appear that Mother Nature and Divine Providence have almost guaranteed that this final resting place of our woodland children has to date been reasonably free from vandalism or modern progress.

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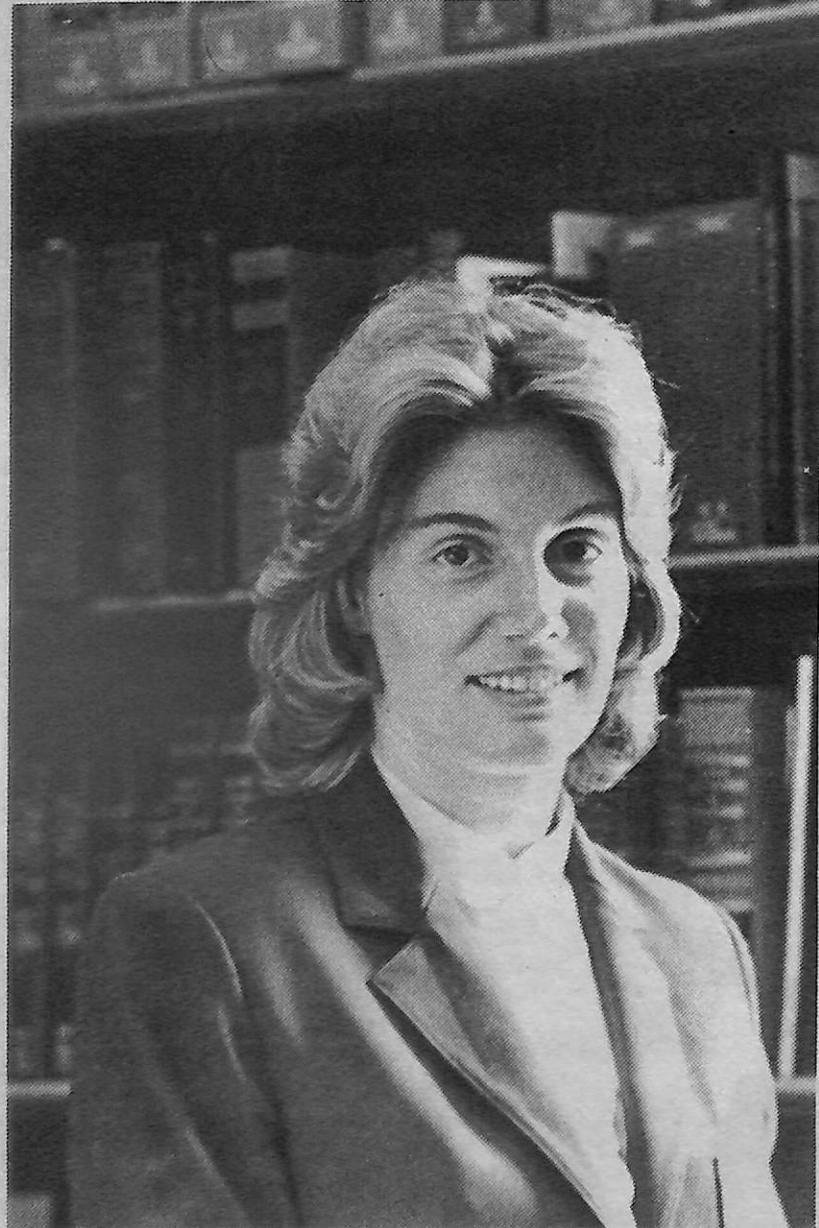


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Clowns Help CROP's Success



CLOWNS AND PARISHIONERS from the various churches in Agawam gathered at the Agawam High School parking lot, Sunday, April 13th, for the Annual CROP Walk for world hunger. (See related photo on Page 1). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



Ag. Methodist Church To Host Rev. Cowell Of Nashville, Tenn.

The Agawam United Methodist Church will sponsor Reverend James W. Cowell of Nashville on Tuesday, April 22nd, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for pastors and laypeople; and 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. for laypeople. Bring your own bag lunch. The topic of his talk will be "Ingredients of a Growing Church."

Reverend James W. Cowell, director of Congregational Development, General Board of Discipleship of the United Methodist Church, Nashville, will focus on "how to's" and practical suggestions. Reverend Cowell edits the *New Congregational Development* newsletter and is the author of *Sponsoring New Congregations*.

A free offering will be taken. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

A native of Memphis, Reverend Cowell had served churches in Tennessee and Kentucky before assuming the position of minister of evangelism at the 4,700-member First United Methodist Church, Colorado Springs.

During the four-and-a-half-years at that church, Reverend Cowell helped initiate two new United Methodist congregations.

On January 1st, 1981, he became pastor of one of those new church developments — Sunrise United Methodist Church. In June 1983, Reverend Cowell assumed the position of director of Congregational Development with the General Board of Discipleship of the United Methodist Church. Reverend Cowell has always had a strong emphasis upon evangelism in his ministry. He holds the b.a. and m.d. degrees from Emory University.

While at Emory, he was a National Methodist Scholar, the recipient of a National Methodist Seminary Award, and was listed in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Reverend Cowell states: "Evangelism is not simply one program of the church. While the purpose of evangelism is understood to be not only confronting persons with Christ, but also deepening commitment to Him, then evangelism becomes the primary and overarching task of the church. The New Life Mission is one which means to awaken faith in persons and challenge congregations to deeper commitment that calls forth response, change, and action."

Call the church, 786-4174, for more information.

Obituary

Walter R. Grzebien

Agawam: Walter R. Grzebien, 62, of 184 North Street, 25-year house service director for the Springfield YMCA, died Saturday, April 12th, in Ludlow Hospital. Born in Enfield, he lived in Agawam for 34 years. He was a communicant of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in West Springfield. He was a Navy veteran of World War II. He leaves his wife, the former Frieda Kloiber; two sons, Walter of East Longmeadow and Carl of Agawam; a daughter, Sandra Hayslett of Agawam; a brother, Edward of Enfield; two sisters, Helen Osowicki of Suffield, Connecticut, and Genevieve Olsowy of West Palm Beach, Florida; and four grandchildren. The funeral was Tuesday morning at Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in the church with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery, Feeding Hills. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society at 54 Suffolk Street, Holyoke, 01040.

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Famous "Birds In Art" Exhibit Coming Soon

"Birds in Art," one of the most prestigious exhibitions of wildlife art in the world, will open at the Springfield Science Museum, Saturday, April 26th.

Now in its 10th year, "Birds in Art" was established in 1976 as the inaugural exhibit of the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum in Wausau, Wisconsin. With new works each year, the show has become an annual event and has toured museums around the world, including the Smithsonian Institution, the Royal Scottish Academy in Edinburgh, and the Museum of Natural History in London.

The exhibit features 50 paintings and 10 sculptures selected from 132 works by recognized masters of wildlife art as well as younger, less well-known artists. "Birds in Art" encompasses the best of representational sporting art, ornithological illustration, expressionistic sculpture, and decorative carving.

According to David Wagner, director of the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, "One of the reasons this exhibition has been so enormously popular is that it cuts across many lines of society. "Birds in Art" audiences consist of sportsmen, nature buffs, artists, collectors, and museum goers in general."

Each year the Woodson museum presents a Master Wildlife Artist award to one of the participating artists. This year, the coveted medal went to J. Fenwick Lansdowne of British Columbia. Lansdowne has spent his entire life studying birds and his career as an artist was launched when he was given a one-person show at the Royal Ontario Museum when he was only 19 years old. Lansdowne's stunning portraits of birds appeal to collectors for their aesthetic value and to birdwatchers and ornithologists for their accuracy. His works are in a number of permanent museum collections as well as the royal collections of Queen Elizabeth and Prince Charles. Lansdowne's painting of the golden eagle has been selected as this year's tour poster.

Another well-known artist whose works are included in the exhibit is Robert Bateman, who is viewed by his fellow painters as the grand master of wildlife artists. Bateman received the 1982 Master Wildlife Artist award, and his 1985 entry is "Sudden Blizzard - Red-Tailed Hawk," a magnificent work which captures the power-of-nature-in-a-scene depicting a white pine and a hawk being driven by the force of a sudden storm.

Roger Tory Peterson, whose *Field Guide to the Birds* is the birdwatchers' bible, is represented with his painting of three blue jays in a setting of winter oak leaves. Peterson, who received the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1980 and was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 1983, has stated that his exhibit has raised the standards of wildlife art during its 10-year history.

"Birds in Art" has done a great deal for the young and unheralded artists. At the same time, "Birds in Art" has shown the works of masters."

Among the other artists who will be represented are Springfield native Hank Tyler, a sculptor who currently resides in Hallowell, Maine, and graphic artist Alderson Magee, originally from Hartford who currently lives in Sharon, Connecticut.

The exhibit features dramatic and beautiful pieces in a variety of media and genres which depict waterfowl, gamebirds, birds of prey, wading birds, and songbirds in their natural habitats.

Included are bird portraits, action scenes showing bird behavior, and sporting scenes with hunters, decoys, and dogs. This beautiful combination of science and art will be on display at the Science Museum through June 8th.

The Science Museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. Museum hours are Tuesday through Sunday from noon to 5:00 p.m. For information, call 733-1194.

Kids' Classes Offered Science Museum

Registrations are still being accepted for three children's classes at the Science Museum this spring.

Investigating Chemistry (ages 10-13) meets from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., April 26th, May 3rd, 17th, and 24th. In this class, youngsters will learn techniques used in crime labs to solve a series of mysteries. They will analyze inks, handwriting, and paper to discover clues about a ransom note as well as monitoring chemical reactions, mixing solutions, and growing crystals. (Fee \$18).

Japan - The Land of the Rising Sun (ages seven to nine) meets from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., April 26th, May 3rd, and May 10th. Children will take an imaginary tour of the Japanese Islands and learn traditional customs such as paper folding, decorative vegetable peeling, and games. (Fee \$12).

All About Reptiles, Birds, and Mammals (ages seven to nine) meets from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., April 23rd, 24th, and 25th, during school vacation week. Children will discover the importance of fur, feathers, scales, and warm or cold-bloodedness as they examine mounted animals and join searches throughout the museum. They will also meet live snakes, turtles, mammals, and birds. (Fee \$12).

The Science Museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. For information and to register, call 733-1194, extension 322 or 323.

Sunday Afternoons Lectures At Museum

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is sponsoring a special series of Sunday afternoon lectures during the month of April. The series will center around four central figures: Edward Taylor, Jonathan Edwards, Emily Dickinson, and Horace Bushnell. Each have contributed to religious changes in the Connecticut Valley. The lectures will take place from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The last of the special lecture series, Sunday, April 27th, will be presented by Dr. Thomas F. Derr, professor of religion at Smith College. He will focus on the romantic theology of Horace Bushnell.

Horace Bushnell was congregational minister in Hartford, Connecticut, during the Civil War years. He was not a popular preacher, but his writing, "The Age of Homespun," presented a perfect image of early New England life when people enjoyed religion and enlarged their minds through it.

Dr. Derr will discuss Bushnell's new interpretation of

Christian doctrine. Like other romantics, he saw new ways of thinking that were not always accepted or comprehended by his peers, making him not the most favorite of ministers.

Admission is \$2 for Friends of the Quadrangle and \$3 for non-members.

This event is part of the Springfield Library and Museums Association's on-going celebration of the city of Springfield's 350th anniversary. For information on other 350th events, call 739-3871.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

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Senior Center News, Notes, Activities

Monday, April 21st: Senior Center will be closed in observance of Patriot's Day.

"Friends" Meeting

An interested group of residents attended the April 11th meeting of "Friends of the Agawam Senior Center, Inc." President Jim Griffin presided. Treasurer Don McCave gave the treasurer's report. Special guest speaker was Inger Bolduc of Longmeadow "Friends". She outlined how they started their program and the many services they are able to offer Longmeadow seniors.

Membership and Ways and Means Committees were named for Agawam "Friends", a non-profit organization formed for the purpose of raising funds for the sole benefit of Agawam's 8,000 senior citizens. These funds will be available to augment and support the limited town budget for the center.

However, "Friends" is a member-controlled operation, completely separated from the Council on Aging and the Senior Center. The present interim officers will serve until November when elections will be held from the membership.

Memberships in "Friends" are being solicited from all Agawam residents and their friends. There are no age restrictions. Individual membership is \$3 per year. Corporate memberships are also being solicited for just \$15 per year.

Drama Club 12:30 Programs. Short presentations by club members are planned for each Tuesday in April.

Thursday, April 24th, 12:30 Program — Part II of Activity Director Sandra Smith's special slide program portraying Senior Center classes, activities, and trips. Even if you missed Part I April 17th, plan to come April 24th.

Monday, April 28th

10:30 a.m. There will be a meeting at the center for all Senior Center volunteers. Please make a special effort to be present.

10:00 to 11:30 a.m. The next "Stay-Well" clinic will be held at the center.

7:30 p.m. Entertainment and refreshments at the Senior Center by members of Beta



NEW OFFICERS INTRODUCED AT THE ANNUAL BANQUET OF THE Agawam Golden Age Club, Chapter I, last week at Shaker Farms Country Club. From left - Edward Organek, president; Edythe Coughlin, treasurer; Caroline Vancini, recording secretary; Odette Benjamin, chaplain; Madelyn Harper, corresponding secretary; and Florian Scorzafava, vice-president.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Sigma Phi Sorority. This annual program is always a special treat for Agawam seniors. There is no charge.

Commodity Registration

April 29th and 30th. Tuesday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. At the Senior Center for eligible persons 60 and over who live in Agawam (zip code 01001). **At the Sacred Heart Church** for all eligible families and for eligible seniors 60 and over who live in Feeding Hills (zip 01030).

"Babes In Arms"

Wednesday, June 18th, a trip to the Mac-Haydn Theatre in Chatham, New York. The Show: *Babes in Arms*, with a cast of New York performers. The Rogers and Hart score includes such tunes as "Where or When,"

"The Lady is a Tramp" and many more.

Luncheon at Lippera's Italian American Restaurant with a great 100-item buffet. Reservations are now open at the ticket booth from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. daily. The cost, everything included, is \$22 per person. Cut-off date will be May 13th. Bus pick-up at Country View will be 9:45 a.m.; at the center, 10:00 a.m. Approximate time of return is 5:30 p.m.

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Note: You must pick up your commodities at the place where you register. Next commodity distribution will be Thursday, May 29th.

Thursday, May 1st, 12:30 Program on "Home Safety" sponsored by Northeast Utilities. NU always has something interesting and worthwhile to offer.

Thursday, May 15th, 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Modern Literature resumes. The first book will be *The Doll Maker*, by Hariette Arnow.

Gladys Francazio — Volunteer

Gladys was born, raised, and educated in Springfield. She has been living in Meadowbrook Manor, Agawam, for the past nine years and loves her apartment. She is a member of St. John's Church.

A widow with six grown children - Beverly, Patricia, William, Linda, Helen, and Margaret, she also has 14 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Her days are filled to capacity.

Gladys was 75 March 21st and looks not a day over 60. She is constantly on the go. Her summers are filled with visits to her children in Delaware and Minneapolis, and she always has plenty of time for her nearby children, too. "I depend on my children to take me everywhere I have to go. They are the greatest children a mother could be blessed with," she said.

For the past three years, Gladys has spent a great deal of time at the center. She works in the kitchen on bingo nights; helps decorate for special parties, such as Mother's and Father's Day, and Valentine's and St. Patrick's Day. After the festivities, she helps dismantle the decorations. Last year, she spent a good deal of time with the center's Drama Club and participated in the recent



TICKET COMMITTEE MEMBERS for the recent Agawam Golden Age Club, Chapter I banquet were, from left - Ellen & Merrill Tisdell. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

presentations at Heritage Hall.

She has been into ceramics for over 15 years, long before she came to the Senior Center. Gladys finds great pleasure in making ceramic objects. She is an avid pool player. Of pool she says, "I love it." A conflict with ceramics class necessitated Gladys giving up the Hobby Club at least for the present.

When asked why she gives so much of herself, she was quick to reply, "I love working at the center. It helps fill my days. I like being able to help anyone who needs it. That's what life is all about, doing for one another."



THE BELLANOS, Albert and Margaret, were the installing officers for the recent Agawam Golden Age Club, Chapter I banquet, held at Shaker Farms Country Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Democrats To Hold Breakfast Meeting

On Saturday, April 19th, the Democratic Town Committee will hold a 9:00 a.m. breakfast meeting at Partners Restaurant, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Chairman William T. Walsh, Jr., announced that the election of a secretary will be the first order of business. The vote to fill this position was tabled from a previous meeting.

In addition to completing its new slate of officers, the committee will discuss filling two recent membership vacancies and several upcoming projects. All members are urged to attend. They should respond to Walsh or member Aprille Soderman.

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Heritage Hall News, Notes, Activities

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Greek Mythology

Returning for a six-week period is student teacher Nancy Golec, who taught the highly successful American Poetry Class. She is now teaching an equally successful course on the subject of "Greek Mythology."

Residents are amazed at the many different beliefs attributed to the legendary myths of mythological history. For instance, the Greeks believed that inanimate objects such as the sun or moon have personal characteristics and deemed them gods or goddesses.

Residents feel that the mythology gives them a new perspective on Greek history.

Thanks Nancy. It's nice to have you back.

Say It With Sign!

Under the direction of Carol Pepper, the Pioneer Valley Children's Center and Heritage Hall residents combined forces in learning the challenging but fascinating "Art of Signing," the fourth largest universal means of communication in the United States today.

Instructors Karen Wilson, a Heritage Hall activity director, and Shirley Ventici, directors of Heritage Hall's Day Care Center, introduced both groups to this new form of communication.

Eager to get started, some of the children actually did a little homework. They came prepared to demonstrate a few simple signs.

Although most observers would think that a class of this nature would be silent, the class was actually filled with enough words and gestures to put a dent in Webster's Dictionary.

The interaction between children and residents created an unbeaten and magical combination; the eagerness of youth tempered with the patience of wisdom.

The class ended by both groups signing, "You are my friend. I love you."

1-2-3-4!

Many years ago, Heritage Hall residents decided that a healthy body was as important as maintaining an active mind. Together, the activity directors and residents formulated and coordinated a successful and well-rounded Health Care Program.

From facials to footcare, residents learned the importance of keeping fit. Over the years, the driving force of the Health Club set the precedence for many other health care-oriented programs.

Helping Hands

Born in Haiti because her father was a Marine Commandant, Alice Dubuar was educated all over the country. She finally graduated from Temple University in Washington D.C.

A mother of five children, four girls and a boy, Alice has managed to share her valuable time with Heritage Hall residents for the last 10 years.

During our Annual Bazaar Days, Alice can always be found running the Coffee Shop. In addition to sharing her valuable time, Alice's unique crafts always add another special dimension to our bazaar.

Thank-you, Alice, for being the special person you are!

RESIDENT OF THE WEEK

Lena DePinto

Born in Springfield, Lena DePinto graduated from Classical High School. For a time, Lena worked as a saleswoman for Stillman's and Steiger's Department Store.

As a single woman and ready to live life on her own, Lena chose the Town of Agawam for her home. She secured her employment at Betty's In-The-Patch



THE POLLY MURPHY SINGERS & BAND, directed by Peg Thomas (right), entertained Heritage Hall South residents last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Restaurant, where she continues to help during rush hours.

Lena has made a full life for herself at Heritage Hall. She is a supportive friend to her fellow residents and on occasion, assists in leading the Rosary. Her biggest passion is gardening. From roses to vegetables, Lena enjoys the planning and maintenance of Heritage Hall gardens.

Lena can often be found walking the Heritage Hall pet, Daisy, and tending to her needs. Pet care runs in the family. Mary Willard, Lena's sister, brings Charlie, the family collie, to run and play with Daisy, as the two sisters catch up on the latest events.

Presently, Lena is actively involved in the creative writing course conducted by Jill Jugler, a Springfield College student. This week's "I Remember..." is authored by Lena.

**I Remember...
by Lena DePinto**

A Pleasant Day In June

"Long ago, when we were children, a schoolteacher with six grades in a little schoolhouse on a hill, suggested that we all go for a picnic not too far from the schoolhouse. It must have been a day in June. We children and the schoolteacher walked a few miles with a lunch on this beautiful day until we finally took our shoes off and wet our feet. The brook water was so nice and clean.

The school teacher was young and enjoyable. We talked and laughed. The surroundings were magnificent. The grass was a deep green and the sky was exceptionally blue with puffy white clouds.

"After the picnic was over, we returned to the schoolhouse. We did not go often, but the memories of that day will always remain with me."



RESIDENT OF THE WEEK LENA DIPINTO

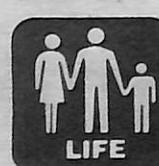
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Thursday & Friday, April 17th-18th
Broadway Review
Agawam High School Show Choir

Saturday, May 3rd
Bike-Hike-Jog-athon
Longmeadow High School
Benefit Lung Association

Friday, April 25th
Ghosthunters Program
Agawam Historical Association
Junior High Auditorium
7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 4th
UNICO Pancake Breakfast
Agawam Middle School
8:00 a.m. to noontime



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PAULA A. HOFFMAN

Paula Hoffman Selected As Contestant In Teen Pageant

Paula A. Hoffman, 14, of Feeding Hills, has been selected as a contestant in the 1986 Massachusetts Miss T.E.E.N. Pageant at the Worcester Marriott Hotel, Worcester, August 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

At the pageant, contestants from throughout the state of Massachusetts who are young ladies between the ages of 13 and 19 will be honored and recognized for their achievement, both in school and their community.

All contestants will be judged in five categories, all with equal value: scholastic achievement, volunteer service, talent demonstration or speech presentation, personal interview, and formal presentation. Awards will be given in all phases of the competition.

Among the prizes awarded to the 1986 Massachusetts Miss T.E.E.N. is a \$1,000 cash scholarship, an all-expense paid trip to compete in the national Miss T.E.E.N. finals, the official Miss T.E.E.N. crown, trophy, and banner.

Miss Hoffman's hobbies include jogging, collecting dolls, dancing, experiencing new things, etc. Her sponsors are Carpet Shed, Heritage Realty, Agawam Opticians, New Horizons Realty, Sheer Elegance, Brides & Grooms, Century 21 A-1 Hoffman, and close neighbors and friends.

Catholic Women's Club To Hold Dinner Meeting

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will hold its Annual Dinner Meeting, Monday, April 21st, at 6:30 p.m., in the St. John's Parish Center. Theme for this year's entertainment is "World Love." Directors Paula Raiche and Lois Miodowski and their cast have been working long and hard to treat members to a show of shows.

Josie & Phil DeStefano will be catering the dinner which consists of antipasto, fruit cup, ziti with sauce, boneless breast of baked stuffed chicken, peas with mushrooms, small oven roasted potatoes, and ice cream. Wine will be served with dinner. Cost of the meal is \$8.50.

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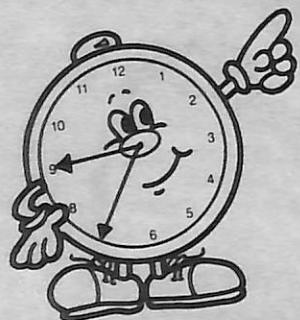
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May Designated UNICO Month For Mental Health

WHEREAS: The month of May 1986 has been designated as "Mental Health Month" nationally; and

WHEREAS: The Agawam Chapter of UNICO National is cooperating with other chapters in a fund raising project known as "Lick-O-Pop" drive; and

WHEREAS: The proceeds will be donated by the Agawam Chapter of UNICO to the Massachusetts Association for Mental Health and the Hampden County Society for Retarded Children; and

WHEREAS: The Agawam Town Council designates the month of May as "AGAWAM CHAPTER UNICO MENTAL HEALTH MONTH" and urges all citizens of the Town to give their wholehearted support to the "Lick-O-Pop" project.

Ghosthunters Slated For Ag. April 25th

The Agawam Historical Association will present Lorraine & Ed Warren, the famous ghosthunters, Friday, April 25th, at the Agawam Junior High School, at 7:30 p.m. The junior high school is located on Springfield Street (Route 57), Feeding Hills.

The Warrens are well-known on the lecture circuit both here and abroad. They will present a slide program with a question and answer period to follow.

They have had two successful TV shows of their own in Connecticut: "Ghosthunters with Ed and Lorraine Warren," Channel 18, Hartford, and "Seekers of the Supernatural," Channel 17, New Britain.

Some of their experiences have been written up by such famous writers as Brad Steiger in *Medicine Power*, Dan Greenburg in *Something's There*, as well as a book by J. F. Sawyer, *Deliver Us From Evil*. This dealt with 13 of their most spine-tingling encounters with the supernatural.

Some of the more publicized cases they have worked on include hauntings at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and a small house on Linley Street in Bridgeport, Connecticut, that made international headlines in 1974.

They were also involved as chief investigators in a haunting on Long Island that became a best selling book and movie, *The Amityville Horror*.

To this day, that remains one of the worst cases they have ever been involved with, and certainly, the most controversial.

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Senator Melconian Plans Kick-Off Party

Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) will hold a kick-off party announcing her candidacy for reelection to the State Senate Monday, April 28th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at Chez Josef, Agawam.

An evening of fun and entertainment to thank all of the Senator's constituents for their support and confidence in her leadership is planned.

It will also be an opportunity to share your priorities for the Second Hampden-Hampshire District with Senator Melconian. Hot hors d'oeuvres will be provided along with a cash bar. A donation of \$15 per person is requested to defray expenses.

Tickets are available by calling 786-1906, between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Scuba Course Offered By Parks Dept.

The Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a Scuba Instruction Course, at the junior high pool.

SESSION: April 15th, 17th, 22nd, 24th, 29th, and May 1st.

TIME: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Agawam Junior High School Pool.

REGISTRATION: Agawam Recreation Office.

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Are You A Captive Catholic? Theme At Marian Center

"Are you a captive Catholic?" will be the theme of a lecture to be given by Reverend Richard A. Riendeau at the Marian Center in Holyoke, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Monday, April 14th. Father Riendeau, a lecturer and teacher, will challenge participants to rethink what it means to be a Catholic. Arrival time is 7:15 p.m. Call the center, 533-7171, for reservations.

"Try to understand" will be the focus of an evening for men and women, single and married, to be given by Reverend John Walchans, S.J., at the Marian Center in Holyoke, from 6:00 to 9:15 p.m., Tuesday, April 15th. Call the center for reservations. Registration will be at 5:45 p.m.

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STORYTELLER DAVIS BATES will tell tall tales of times gone by at the Museum of Fine Arts, Sunday, April 27th.

Storyteller Davis Bates At Arts Museum

Take pride in our artistic American heritage, past and present, and explore its development in **Art USA: Yesterday and Today** at the Museum of Fine Arts, Sunday, April 27th, from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. **Something Every Sunday** has something for everyone and it's all free, thanks to generous support from the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, a state agency.

You'll meet Elizabeth Billings Ashley, who had her portrait painted by Erastus Salisbury Field approximately 100 years ago (or, more accurately, Margaret Reid impersonating Ms. Ashley!). Museum docent Jack Gaffney, disguised as Angus Nicholson, will emerge from Ralph Earl the Elder's painting (circa 1796) to tell you about his family, how they dressed, and how they lived in the exciting period of America's development as a nation.

Once you have met both characters, join Northampton actress Sheryl Stoodley's theatre tour through the rest of the museum's early American paintings!

Under Annie Chrzanowski's instruction, try your skill at the old technique of stenciling, perfected by our founding fathers — and founding mothers! Then, you're invited to skip through time and watch Amherst artist Sharon Harper demonstrate stain painting, a 20th-century art form.

Don't forget to experience tales of times gone by with storyteller Davis Bates from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Davis Bates hails from Leyden, Massachusetts, a small hilltown in Franklin County. When not cutting wood, growing food or caring for animals, Bates travels throughout New England bearing songs and stories from many different cultures and traditions. With a bit of magic, he animates trickster tales and creation myths, teaching tales and oral history.

The Museum of Fine Arts is located on the Quadrangle, corner of State and Chestnut Streets.

LEGAL NOTICE

APPROVED ORDINANCE TOWN OF AGAWAM IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY SIX AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF AGAWAM

An ordinance amending the Town of Agawam zoning Ordinance and made part of the Code of the Town of Agawam, as provided in Section 20-8(h); Section 20-43(e); Section 20-44; Section 20-47(b); Section 20-48; Section 20-53 (b); Section 20-53 (c); Section 20-54; Section 20-59 (d) of the Zoning Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Agawam, Massachusetts:

Section I. That the Agawam Zoning Ordinance be amended by deleting and adding the following:

General Provisions - Section 20-8(h)

Delete Entire Section

Business A District - Section 20-43(e)

Delete Entire Section

Add Section 20-43(e). A Building devoted in whole or in part to residence or other purposes permitted in paragraph (a) of Section 20-41 shall comply with the requirements prescribed for Residence B Districts.

Section 20-44 — First sentence which now reads "No business building shall be created or altered so as to cover more than seventy-five percent of the area of the lot upon which it is located" is hereby amended as follows: "No business building shall be erected or altered so as to cover more than fifty percent of the area of the lot upon which it is located."

Business B District Section 20-47 (b)

Delete Entire Section

Add Section 20-47(b) - Sideyard requirement shall be a minimum of 10 feet, except adjacent to residential or agricultural zones at which time it would be 15 feet.

Business B District

Section 20-48 - First sentence which now reads "No business building shall be erected or altered so as to cover more than seventy-five percent of the area of the lot on which it is located" is hereby amended as follows: "No business building shall be erected or altered so as to cover more than fifty percent of the area of the lot on which it is located."

ADD

Business B District - Section 20-48.1 which shall read, "No lot shall have a frontage of less than 100 feet on a street or an area less than 10,000 square feet."

Industrial A District - Section 20-53(b)

Delete

Add Industrial A District Section 20-53(b) - Sideyards and rear yards requirement shall be a minimum of 25 feet. However, there shall be a sideyard and a rear yard between a street and the parts of a building nearest to such street to be no less than 40 feet but facilities shall be provided for loading and unloading all materials, equipment, and merchandise on the premises and entirely off the traveled way.

Industrial A District Section 20-53(c)

Delete

Industrial A District Section 20-54

Delete

Add Industrial A District Section 20-54 - No business or industrial building shall be erected or altered so as to cover more than fifty percent of the area of the lot on which it is located.

Add Industrial A District Section 20-54.1 - No lot shall have a frontage of less than 100 feet on a street or an area of less than 40,000 square feet.

Industrial B District Section 20-59(d)

Delete

Section II. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication according to law.

DATED THIS 7th day of April 1986.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL

Andrew Gallano, President
Agawam Town Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

Ralph L. Atkins
Town Solicitor

Published: April 17, 1986

Storrowton Village Crafters To Sell Items

The Storrowton Village Crafters have once again set a theme for its craft fair and is offering unique gifts for the special people in your life — moms, dads, brides, and grads.

Spring is the season of new beginnings and the time for expressions of love. Nature's new beginnings are reflected in life by graduations, weddings, and births. Anniversaries, Mother's Day, and Father's Day, are the perfect times to express love for those dear to you.

The Storrowton Village Crafters Members' Spring Showcase, May 3rd, will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 361 Sumner Avenue, Springfield, is the perfect opportunity to purchase gifts for your new beginnings and loved ones. Admission is free.

Kindergarten, First Grade Program At Laughing Brook

Massachusetts Audubon's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden, announces the spring sessions of the popular program, "One Step Beyond" for children in kindergarten and first grade. The sessions will be held on Saturdays, April 19th and May 17th at 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Sign up for one session or both. Pre-registration is required at least three days before the sessions begin.

"One Step Beyond" is open to the public. Space is limited so register early. The fees are MAS \$3/session or \$5 for both; Non-MAS \$4/session or \$7 for both.

For more information, contact Laughing Brook, 566-8034.

Traditionally over the years, certain items such as paper, wood, candy, and lace have been used to represent specific anniversaries. Many items representing the traditional symbols such as the above will be available at the fair, including: quilling (the first or paper anniversary), turned wood (second), chocolates (sixth), pottery (ninth), and tatted laces (13th).

Also available at the fair will be pierced and sculptured lampshades, pierced tin, stenciling, porcelain dolls, and theorem and decorative art, items to be cherished, tomorrow's heirlooms.

There will also be a display of vintage wedding gowns and antique clothing as part of the crafts showcase normally displayed on the stage.

Agawam Women's Club To Meet At Fred D's

The Agawam Women's Club will close the 1985-86 club season on Monday evening, April 28th, with a dinner meeting at Fred D's in Agawam, social hour at 6:30 p.m., and dinner at 7:00 p.m.

The Annual Meeting to follow will include the election of officers for the 1986-1987 calendar year.

Reservations for the dinner should be made with Mrs. Bruno Maule, 789-0082, by Tuesday, April 22nd.

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Agawam DPW Announces Spring Cleanup Dates

The Agawam Department of Public Works wishes to announce to Agawam residents that the Annual Spring Cleanup will be conducted from May 5th to May 15th.

Materials to be collected are solid wastes including but not limited to rubber tires, automobile parts, demolition waste, plumbing fixtures, furniture, mattresses, bed springs, refrigerators, stoves, water heaters, metal pipes, and other bulky wastes.

Materials specifically excluded from this collection are rubbish, garbage, liquid wastes of any kind, automobile chassis, bodies and motors, tree stumps, branches, brush, lawn clippings, leaves, and hedge trimmings.

Materials to be collected must be on the treebelt by 7:00 a.m. of the day of the scheduled collection. All small or loose items must be placed in plastic bags or in containers having a maximum capacity of 30 gallons. The schedule for the collection is as follows:

Route 1 - May 5th; Route 2 - May 6th; Route 3 - May 7th; Route 4 - May 8th; Route 5 - May 12th; Route 6 - May 13th; Route 7 - May 14th; and Route 8 - May 15th.

Cathedral High Set For Class Of 1941 Reunion

Lucien J. Turmel, general chairman for Cathedral High School's 45th Class Reunion, scheduled for May 3rd, announced today that invitations have been sent to members of the class of 1941. The reunion will be held at the Carriage House at Storrowton Tavern, West Springfield.

Festivities will begin with the celebration of Mass at Immaculate Conception Church in West Springfield. Turmel said that Father John Johnson will be assisted by fellow classmates Monsignor John Martin, Father Thomas Lightcap, and Father Peter Loughran.

Reception and refreshments at Storrowton will commence at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will follow at 7:30 p.m. Sister Patricia James, principal of Cathedral High School, a 1941 graduate, will be the honored guest.

The chairman praised the following committee members for their enthusiastic work in organizing the affair - James Foley, honorary chairman; Charlotte (Leahy) Reed, secretary; J. Paul Morin, treasurer; and members Margaret (Sullivan) DeForge, Mary (Murphy) Maxwell, Phyllis (Gauthier) Gagnon, Thomas F. McCarthy, James E. Welch, Lorraine (Madden) White, Bob Boulay, Howard Gauthier, and William Wood.

Turmel said that the whereabouts of many graduates are unknown, and made a special appeal to those individuals who may not have received an invitation to contact: Charlotte (Leahy) Reed, 525-3580; Paul Morin, 786-9599; or Bob Boulay, 595-1520.

Husbands and wives of graduates are welcomed and are urged to make early reservations.

Dance For Diabetes Slated For April 26th

Dance For Diabetes with D. J. Dennis, formerly of the Riverboat and Bar Association, and GB Sight & Sound, formerly of the Amber Room of Katy's Cafe, will be held Saturday, April 26th, from 7:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Granby Road, Chicopee.

Donation is \$7. It will include hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, sandwich buffet, and dessert and coffee. Specials during the evening will include a battle of the DJs, cash bar, prizes, two light shows, two sound systems, and surprises.

For tickets, call DJ Dennis, 782-6773, J.D.F., 783-0464, or Joan Karam, 789-0013.

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Agawam UNICO Planning Pancake Breakfast

Agawam Unico of Unico National will have its 24th Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, Sunday, May 4th, at the Agawam Middle School, Main Street, Agawam, with continuous serving from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Club President Thomas Coppola, honorary chairman, has appointed Nicholas Borrello, chairman and Paul Ferrarini, publicity chairman.

Unico is announcing the date for the breakfast now due to the many pancakes that will be needed to feed hundreds of townfolk.

Tickets are \$2 per person and may be purchased from club members, chairman Nicholas Borrello,

Local Girl Scouts Begin To Deliver Cookie Orders

Western Massachusetts Council Girl Scouts will be delivering Girl Scout cookies April 15th to May 2nd, to fill orders taken in February.

The annual cookie sale gives girls an opportunity to learn marketing skills, to earn funds for troop programs, and to gain credits that can be applied to event fees.

It also enables the council to provide services for the membership, including camperships, financial assistance for girls and adults selected to attend special events, property maintenance, and equipment purchases.

High School Of Commerce Plans 50th Reunion

The January and June 1936 classes of the High School of Commerce are planning a 50th class reunion October 8th.

Members of the class or anyone knowing the whereabouts of a member of the class should contact Lillian (Brodeur) Doyle, 786-9586, or Zelda (Hubert) Downey, 789-0555, as soon as possible.

Sunday Programs For Families In April At Laughing Brook

April 20th: Flutterbies & Butterflies - Butterflies and moths are a sure sign that the re-awakening of spring is in full swing. Brilliantly colored or camouflaged, these winged insects with their long curled tongues for sipping nectar, are a joy to watch. Join us in learning about these and other fluttering insects of spring.

April 27th: April Showers - April, with its wind, rain, and warming temperatures, is a perfect time to study the weather. Join us for a look at clouds and some experiments designed to help learn about weather. Remember, that April showers bring...

789-0425, and at local merchants - Gino's Package Store in Agawam Shopping Center; Al Malone's Garden Center, Silver Street; Mutti's Service Station, Walnut Street; and Frank Pignatone's Service Station, Main Street.

Also, tickets may be purchased at the door the day of the event. Unico always welcomes walk-ins.

Proceeds benefit mental health, retarded children, yearly scholarships, special education, and many community charities.

Unico is the largest Italian-American Service Organization in the United States.

The Big E Constructing Major Walkway For Expo

A new look to a major thoroughfare will greet fairgoers arriving at this year's Big E. New England Avenue, a major walkway which leads from the public parking lot to the central Court of Honor, will be improved to the tune of \$275,000.

Included in the project will be a widening of the walkway from 30 feet to 65 feet, and the installation of mail-type rectangular planter units with built-in seating, set in the middle of the road. Interspersed with the seating units will be vendor booths, creating an interesting ambience for shoppers.

A new Visitors' Center will be erected in the mall between the Better Living Center and the Young Building, featuring 40 restrooms, a souvenir shop, and an information booth.

The 4,000 square foot traditional-style brick structure will feature a walk-through atrium with skylights, wood accents on eaves and louvers, a shingled roof, and indirect and accent lighting. Decorative brick walkways and landscaping will enhance the building designed by architect Steven Woolf of Amherst.

The building, constructed by Joseph Chadelaine & Sons, Builders of East Longmeadow, at a total cost of \$250,000, will feature handicap facilities in the restrooms plus a baby changing room. Telephones, water fountains, and sitting areas will also be located in the facility.

New Preschool Series Set For Agawam Public Library

While the Agawam Library's April preschool storytime is filled to capacity, a few openings remain in the four-week Wednesday series, beginning May 21st, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Parents and children who were not able to participate in the March or April storycraft programs may call the library, 789-1550 to register.

Community Grange Observes National Grange Week

Community Grange will celebrate National Grange Week, April 20th-26th, with displays throughout the community and at the Agawam Public Library.

What is the Grange?

Do you know?

Did you know that the town has a very active Junior Grange which is open to young people, five to 14. Those 14 years-old and over may join the Subordinate Grange.

Did you know the Community Grange holds its meeting at the Grange Home, North West Street, Feeding Hills, in its own building.

Did you know that the Community Grange gives scholarships to deserving college-bound students at Agawam High School.

Are you interested in joining the Community Grange. If so, please call any of these numbers for further information - 786-6172, 786-4016, or 786-3363.

Please come to the next meeting of Community Grange, Tuesday, April 15th. It will be the group's "Booster Night." The meeting is open to the public.

Thomas Severance, steward of the State Grange will be the guest speaker.

Wilbraham, East Longmeadow, and the Ware Granges will be the guests of the Community Grange.

Gene Gallerani and Eise & Dorothy Johnson will serve refreshments during a social hour to follow the meeting.

9th Annual Bike-Hike-Jog To Benefit Lung Association

The Springfield Association of Life Underwriters (S.A.L.U.), a non-profit organization, is again sponsoring the 9th Annual Bike-Hike-Jog for Life and Breath to benefit the American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts. This special event will be held on Saturday, May 3rd, at Longmeadow High School.

Biking, hiking, and jogging enthusiasts of all ages are urged to show their support of healthy lungs and clean air by participating. Participants are asked to raise pledges and will be able to earn prizes ranging from gift certificates to Cape Cod weekends for two.

All participants will receive free gifts and refreshments courtesy of McDonald's and the Lung Association. Steiger's is providing special mini-flashlights for all pledges over \$25. There will also be a special category and trophy for team competition.

During the past eight years, this public service project of S.A.L.U. has raised over \$100,000 to benefit local Lung Association programs on asthma, emphysema, smoking cessation, and marijuana education. This year's goal is \$25,000, a 15 percent increase over 1985.

To help "insure" good weather, local celebrity meteorologist Paul Sutton from TV Channel 40 and John Quill from TV Channel 22 will appear at the event to lend their support and kick-off the event.

Attend Sunday Services April 20th

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WAYNE CORLISS (left) and AGAWAM FIRE CHIEF Rusty Jenks (right) recognize Agawam Call Firemen Ed Mutti and Jim Taylor at a dinner held at Fred D's Family Restaurant, Saturday, April 12th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

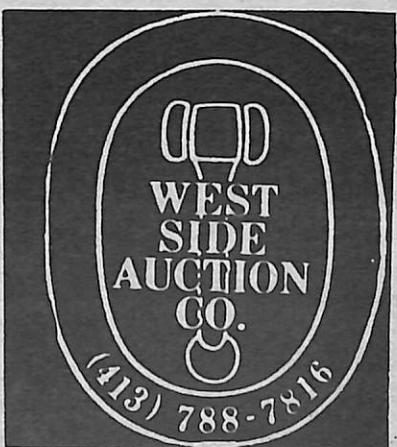


AGAWAM CALL FIREMAN CHESTER NICORA (left) recognizes Agawam firefighter Larry Grady with a plaque as Fire Chief Rusty Jenks looks on. Grady is a drill instructor for the department. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Natural Family Planning Topic At Providence Hospital

"Natural Family Planning: An Examination of Methodology, Use and Effectiveness," is the topic of a program to be given twice by the Providence Hospital Department of Education and Research, April 30th and May 7th, in the hospital auditorium.

The program will be offered to health care professionals, Wednesday, April 30th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., and Wednesday, May 7th, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. The purpose of the program is to assist the health care professional with the initial assessment and instruction of the patient who opts for a natural method of family planning.

The program speaker will be Kathleen M. Barrett, M.A., director of Natural Family Planning Services for Providence Hospital. Ms. Barrett, who has her master's degree from American International College in clinical psychology, is also chairwoman of the New England Natural Family Planning, Inc., an NFP Provider group. She is actively involved as an educator and coordinator for various outreach and planning programs in the area of women's health and wellness.

The program is approved for 1.8 contract hours by the Massachusetts Nurses Association and the Licensed Practical Nurses of Massachusetts, Inc., and has been submitted to the National Association of Social Workers and Massachusetts Schools of Social Work for CE credit approval.

There will be a fee for the program and persons with questions should contact Marcia Hess in the department of education at Providence Hospital at 536-5111, extension 2291.

FIREWISE

by Rusty Jenks
Agawam Fire Chief

Mower Safety Is A Must

The Agawam Fire Department reports that over 62,000 persons are injured annually in lawn mower accidents. Many of these injuries are burns caused by careless use of the mower. Before using or cleaning your mower, follow these safety tips:

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2. **Wait for machines** to cool before refueling. Wipe up spilled fuel immediately. Never fuel a running mower.
3. **Store and pour** gasoline carefully and keep it in an approved container with a tight-fitting lid.
4. **Check electric mower** cords for frayed or damaged spots. Frayed insulation added to a metal mower, damp or wet grass, can cause lethal shocks or severe electrical burns.
5. **Leave blade** sharpening and electric repairs to professionals.
6. **If you do your own cleaning** and tune-up, disconnect the spark plug or remove it before beginning. If a blade is turned by hand, the mower can start if the spark plug is still intact.
7. **Never leave the mower** without turning it off. It takes only a few seconds to run inside and only a few seconds for the mower to run over someone and cause serious injury.

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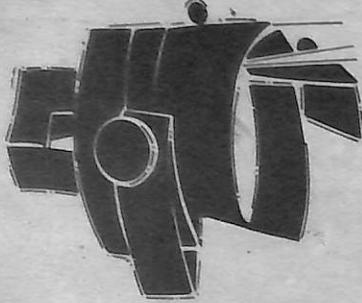
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SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS...

New Veterinarian To Open This Fall Next To Fire Station

by Dale Fiske
Advertiser News Municipal Writer

A new veterinarian will be coming to Feeding Hills in October. Dr. Richard Vincunas plans to open his Animal Hospital, on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, next to the Springfield Street Fire Station. According to Fire Chief Russell Jenks, the old house that was razed this week to pave the way for Dr. Vincunas was gutted by fire, November 8th, 1980. The dwelling has been vacant ever since.

Dr. Vincunas was graduated from Iowa State University, College of Veterinarian Medicine, 1982. Since that time, he has been working in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. His experience has taken him through one large veterinarian hospital, a medium operation, and two emergency clinics. He has encountered everything from gunshot wound cases, automobile accidents, and triage situations. He said, "The emergency outlets have given me a good overall view of everything."

Dr. Vincunas has not only handled dogs and cats, he has also treated turtles, ferrets, iguanas, birds, and a snail.

Yes. A snail. Vincunas asked the snail's master, "What seems to be the matter with him?" To which the escargot's owner responded, "He's not moving as quickly as he used to." Dr. Vincunas was able to determine the problem as old age.

Vincunas commented, "I really like this community. I originally came from around the area and it's nice to be home again. People in New England are more down to earth. I want to get involved in this community."

Vincunas stressed that among his primary goals, he wants to provide personalized service. "No matter how big we may grow, I don't want our service to become impersonal. Every patient is important."

The hospital has been designed by the doctor. He said, "It will be built to AHA standards." It will also encompass special amenities added by Vincunas. The reception area will have separate entrance and exits for the convenience of patients and their families. There will also be a separate waiting room for cats because, "Dogs make cats very nervous. We're going to keep them apart."

The facility will also house a surgical suite, prep room, recovery room, several examining rooms, a pharmacy, laboratory, and eight runs. The hospital will not board dogs, but animals requiring stays at the hospital will be accommodated.

Vincunas explained, "We'll be a full-service facility.

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THE END OF AN EYESORE: That ugly, abandoned green building next to the Springfield Street Fire Station, just below Feeding Hills Center, is no more. A bulldozer completely demolished the house to make way for a modern structure that will house Dr. Richard Vincunas, veterinarian. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Whatever needs to be done, we will do." Among the many services, x-rays, laboratory culturing, and cardiopet will be included.

Cardiopet is a service that gives EKG readings over the phone. A heart specialist on the other end interprets the information, and according to Vincunas, "maybe the technicians can pick-up more complete in-

formation. The specialist also helps with suggesting a treatment."

The doctor also said that pacemakers, especially designed for animals, can be surgically implanted as treatment, if needed.

Dr. Vincunas hopes to be in operation by October of this year.

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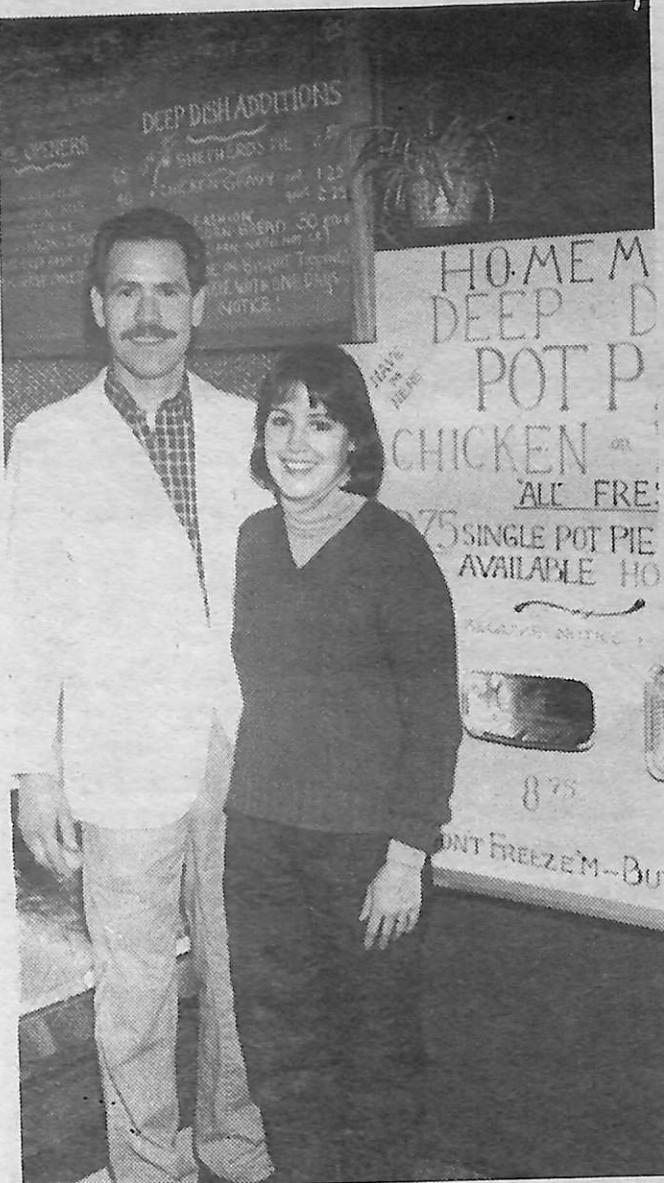
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SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS - Continued...



RON & MAUREEN DISALVO of Southampton are the owners and operators of Valley Pot Pie & Delicatessen, 351 Main Street, Agawam. The new business opened its doors last month. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Ashe Draws Lucky Winner For Circle Cleaners



HAMPDEN COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS Donald Ashe drew the lucky winner of a raffle held at the new Circle Cleaners, located at the South End Bridge Circle. Looking on are Ronald & Jodi Eckman, owners and operators, and new one month-old daughter, Erica. The winner was June Belanger, 727 River Road, Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Valley Pot Pie & Deli Opens On Main Street

by Laura B. Dugan
Advertiser News Feature Writer

"One taste calls for more." Just try one of Ron DiSalvo's deep-dish pot pies and they are bound to become a habit. Ron and his wife, Maureen, are the owners of the newly-opened Valley Pot Pie & Delicatessen, 351 Main Street, Agawam, across from Cooper Street.

The business opened a month ago and is a dream realized for DiSalvo, a graduate of the famed Fanny Farmer School of Cooking, Boston. He has had 20 years of well-rounded experience in preparing and serving food as chef, banquet manager, and restaurant manager. The past five years have been spent on Cape Cod.

The DiSalvos are natives of Eastern Massachusetts and now make their home in Southampton. Mrs. DiSalvo is studying for her graduate's degree in speech pathology at UMass-Amherst.

Take-Out Food Featured

While the business is primarily for take-out, for those who prefer to be served, DiSalvo has seating for 25 in attractive and comfortably designed booths, plus a cozy table-for-two. The big features are the "Valley Pot Pies," beef and chicken. The individual one-pound sizes are always available, hot or cold.

Two, three, and four pound pies are baked to order. His pies are never frozen but customers may freeze

them. If the pies are to be frozen, Ron suggests purchasing them unbaked.

Also available are many kinds of "Big Sandwiches without Big Prices," salads, cold plates, and hot dishes, including DiSalvo's own homemade soups. Valley's features home-cooking and DiSalvo does it all himself. His items are health-oriented — very light on the salt and using all fresh vegetables and high quality meats. **Nothing is fried.**

For desserts, there may be a lemon and raisin bread pudding or a pineapple upside-down cake, or some other homebaked sweet. There are a variety of cold cuts and cheeses in the deli case.

Catering Service This Summer

After Memorial Day Weekend, Valley Pot Pie will offer party food service, including salad and cold cut platters, hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, and desserts. Delivery will be available in Agawam. For those out of town, there will be pick-up service.

Store hours are 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday. Summer hours will be from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Valley Pot Pie is closed on Sunday — remember to pick-up your pot pies and deli items on Saturday.

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"U.S.A." Has Good Moments; StageWest Still Falls Short

by Phil Benoit
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

U.S.A., whose run at StageWest's S. Prestley Blake Theatre ends April 18th, has all of the earmarks of a first-rate production. The seven cast members do a most admirable job in all facets of their performances; Gregory Boyd's skillful direction never falters; and the rest of the show's aspects — ranging from Martin Erskine's musical direction to V. Jane Suttell's costumes — are worthy of our praise and attention.

Yet, there is something missing from this particular StageWest production, and that something lies with the play itself.

Written by Paul Shyre and John Dos Passos, *U.S.A.* is a dramatic revue that examines the music, the dances, the events, and some of the historical figures in our nation's history between the years 1900 and 1930. The important word to note here is "revue" because this show is not a fully structured drama with a discernable plot and full-bodied characters.

Instead, *U.S.A.* is a hodgepodge of short scenes that feature songs such as "Meet Me in St. Louis" and "Bye, Bye Blackbird," the steps of "The Charleston" and the "Turkey Trot," real people such as the Wright Brothers and Rudolph Valentino, and periods of historical significance such as the years of World War I.

The last time StageWest produced a show such as this was in December of 1984. The production at that time, *Ain't Misbehavin'*, was a musical revue that paid tribute to the music and personality of pianist and comedian Thomas "Fats" Waller (1904-1943).

While *Ain't Misbehavin'* focused on one man and his contributions to the world of entertainment, *U.S.A.* covers a variety of subjects. And herein lies the problem.

Based on a three-volume epic novel by Dos Passos, this show is a smorgasbord of delectable hors d'oeuvres; however, it lacks the appetite-filling quality of a full-course meal. The tidbits of history and culture which *U.S.A.* has to offer are, in themselves, interesting and enjoyable. But, the string which binds them together is somewhat flimsy, and that string is the life of a fictional character named J. Ward Moorehouse.

At the beginning of the revue, Moorehouse is a happy, ambitious young man who represents the budding optimism of turn-of-the-century America. He eventually marries the women whom he fell in love with at first sight, and manages to become a bigwig in the field of public relations. By the end of the show, the Depression has arrived, and Moorehouse is an aging, wheelchair-bound man who is disheartened, lonely, and typifies the mood of our nation at this time.

StageWest Preparing For A Flea In Her Ear Production

Georges Feydeau's comedy classic, *A Flea In Her Ear*, brings rogues and lovers, a clever wife, an unfaithful husband, and farce to StageWest, as the closing production of the 1985-1986 season, April 23rd to May 23rd, at the S. Prestley Blake Theatre in the StageWest complex at Columbus Center.

A Flea In Her Ear, which has delighted audiences worldwide since its premiere in 1907, has been adapted in a new English language version by Douglas Johnson, who will direct the StageWest production. Jeffrey Struckman is scenic designer for *A Flea In Her Ear*. Costumes for the Feydeau farce are designed by Sam Fleming, and Robert Jared is lighting designer. The StageWest production of *A Flea In Her Ear* is sponsored by the Springfield Marriott Hotel.

Douglas Johnson has extensive acting and directing credits in the American resident theatre. As associate director of the Berkeley Repertory Theatre for many seasons, Johnson directed the American premiere of Alan Ayckbourn's *Season's Greetings*; his own original production of *Dracula — A Musical Nightmare*; and *Our Town*, *Hamlet*, and *Comedy of Errors*. He recently staged *She Stoops to Conquer* for the Playmaker's Repertory Theatre.

Artist Thomas Conlin Featured At Agawam Public Library

The "Agawam Presents Art Program," sponsored by the Agawam Public Library and the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council, will have in attendance artist Thomas Conlin of Feeding Hills, Tuesday, April 22nd.

Conlin's oil paintings and pastels are the first in a series of exhibits to be held in the Public Library's gallery of local artists works.

The public is invited to view Conlin's paintings and talk with the artist during the hours of 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Tuesday night.

Refreshments will be served.



A SCENE FROM STAGEWEST'S PRODUCTION of "U.S.A." which will conclude its run, Friday, April 18th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Moorehouse is more of a symbol than a flesh-and-blood character, as are the rest of the fictional people who have much bearing on his life: his wife; his mistress; his devoted secretary and confidant; and an employee named Dick Savage, a veteran of World War I who thinks only in terms of power and success, and stands for the shallow materialism which pervaded the Roaring Twenties.

Because all of these fictional characters are merely one-dimensional caricatures, it is difficult for us, the audience, to make any kind of an emotional investment in them. *U.S.A.* would have fared a lot better if it had dispensed with its semblance of a plot and these extraneous excuses for characterization.

The cast of StageWest's *U.S.A.* is comprised of three actresses (Karen Ingenthron, Kimberly King, and Ellen Lauren) and four actors (Robert Boardman, Eric Hill, Bill Meisle, and Noble Shropshire). With the exception of Boardman — who portrays Moorehouse throughout the entire revue — the cast plays numerous roles in the show, including real-life people and background characters who do nothing but provide atmosphere on the stage.

The performances in *U.S.A.* are complex blends of acting, dancing, and even a bit of pantomime (an example of this is a scene in which the cast acts out the

physical movements of a group of passengers aboard a moving train). Since I cannot mention every single role within the confines of this review, let me say that each part was executed with the greatest amount of talent and enthusiasm possible, and I'll use the remainder of my article to list a few of my favorite moments in the show.

With regards to the aforementioned fictional characters, the most memorable one is Mr. Bingham, who's portrayed with unflappable zest by Meisle. This character is an elderly gent who goes wild with enthusiasm when he attends a burlesque show with Dick Savage (played by Shropshire).

Miss King and Hill provide us with a bit of personal history as they recount the personal and professional lives of dance legend Isadora Duncan and movie star Rudolph Valentino, respectively. These scenes are moving tributes to those who had tragic, all-to-brief existences on this planet, yet were able to make lasting impressions during this eventful century of human history.

However, my favorite moment in *U.S.A.* is when Hill relates how the Wright Brothers earned a place in the history books, with Meisle and Shropshire posing as silent statues of these pioneers of aviation. This patriotic and inspiring scene brought a lump to my throat, and I'm sure that I was not the only theatergoer in the audience who felt this way.

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Sound Performances Overshadow Encore's Newest Play, *Nuts*

by Phil Benoit
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

Two years ago, the Encore Players staged an entertaining production of *Inherit the Wind*, a courtroom drama that depicts the historical 1925 trial of schoolteacher John T. Scopes. Now, this community theatre group returns to the courtroom once again to present a fictional contemporary case in a play titled *Nuts*.

The three-act melodrama, which ran last Thursday through Saturday, has two more performances scheduled for Friday, April 18th, and Saturday, April 19th. All shows begin at 8:00 p.m. at the Emmanuel Church, 761 Sumner Avenue (corner of Sumner Avenue and White Street), Springfield.

Nuts is set in a courtroom in the psychiatric wing of Bellevue Hospital in New York. Standing trial is a young woman named Claudia Faith Draper (Evelyn Holland), a prostitute who killed one of her customers after he attempted to cause her great physical harm.

However, Claudia's case at Bellevue is not your typical trial. It is, instead, a judicial hearing to determine whether or not she is mentally competent to stand trial for manslaughter. And, if the court determines that she is not mentally competent, then it is possible that she could spend the remainder of her life as a patient at one mental hospital or another.

With the aid of a lawyer named Aaron Levinsky (Robert Freedman), Claudia is resolved to do anything she can to prevent the authorities from locking her up as a mental patient and to get her chance to stand trial for manslaughter. But, standing in her way are the district attorney (Wayne Robertson) on the case, a Bellevue psychiatrist (Sal Marzano), her mother (Bettie Hallen), and her stepfather (Grant Fuller).

In and of itself, *Nuts* has some outstanding flaws. The playwright, Tom Topor, does a superficial job of detailing Claudia's strained relationship with her mother and her stepfather, as well as how she came to be a prostitute.

Moreover, the story contains a number of humorous moments which, I presume, are meant to serve as comic relief. To me, however, these instances of humor are distractions which seem out of place with the seriousness of the plot's premise.

But, despite these shortcomings within the play, *Nuts* is still able to come off as a very successful production for the Encore Players. Courtroom stories have a dramatic energy all their own and make for truly engrossing live theater, and director Dick Volker does a fine job of enhancing these inherent positive qualities by getting solid and emotionally-charged performances from most of the cast members.

In the first of *Nuts*' three acts, the Bellevue psychiatrist takes the stand to present his reasons why Claudia should be declared mentally incompetent. As this character, Marzano conveys the persona of an overly self-assured man who becomes frustrated whenever his professional opinions are questioned and challenged.

And, thanks to Freedman's consistently savvy and sharp-tongued performance as Claudia's lawyer, the psychiatrist loses control of his emotions several times throughout the course of the play, and Marzano's thoroughly skillful performance suggests that his character may indeed be more mentally disturbed than any of his patients.

During the second act, Claudia's mother and stepfather have the opportunity to testify as to why they think she should be declared mentally incompetent. At this point in the story, we also learn a bit of history about Claudia and her relationship with her mother and her stepfather, as well as some shocking facts about the stepfather.



FROM LEFT - Robert Kay, Flo Healy, Evelyn Holland, and Robert Freedman in a scene from the Encore Players' production of Tom Topor's *Nuts*. The play has final performances scheduled for Friday, April 18th, and Saturday, April 19th.

As Claudia's mother, Miss Hallen delivers a performance that projects the anxiety of a prim woman who can't understand and believe what's happened to her daughter. Fuller's acting is equally credible in terms of exhibiting the stepfather's personality traits, but he was hampered by a problem on the opening night of the show.

During this performance of *Nuts*, Fuller continually tripped over his lines of dialogue and appeared to be suffering from a severe case of opening night jitters. On the same evening, Helene Bernstein (in the role of the judge) also had a bit of trouble keeping her lines straight.

The third and final act of the play displays the impressive acting talent of Miss Holland. As Claudia, she has a commanding stage presence and is a powerhouse of emotional strength as her character takes the stand to defend herself.

This role is a difficult one to portray because it requires an intensity that, in the wrong hands, could come across as a sign of a disturbed mentality. Fortunately, Miss Holland is able to keep Claudia's personality at a highly-energetic level without ever encountering this difficulty.

Another performer who deserves much credit is Robertson in the role of the district attorney. Among the major characters, this one has the least amount of dimension, but Robertson makes the district attorney a memorable character through his resonant pattern of speech and a stage presence that is just as commanding as Miss Holland's.

***PUBLISHER'S NOTE:** Tickets for *Nuts* are \$5 (general admission) and \$4 (senior citizen/students). They may be purchased at the door prior to each performance. For more information, call 783-1616 or 737-0918.

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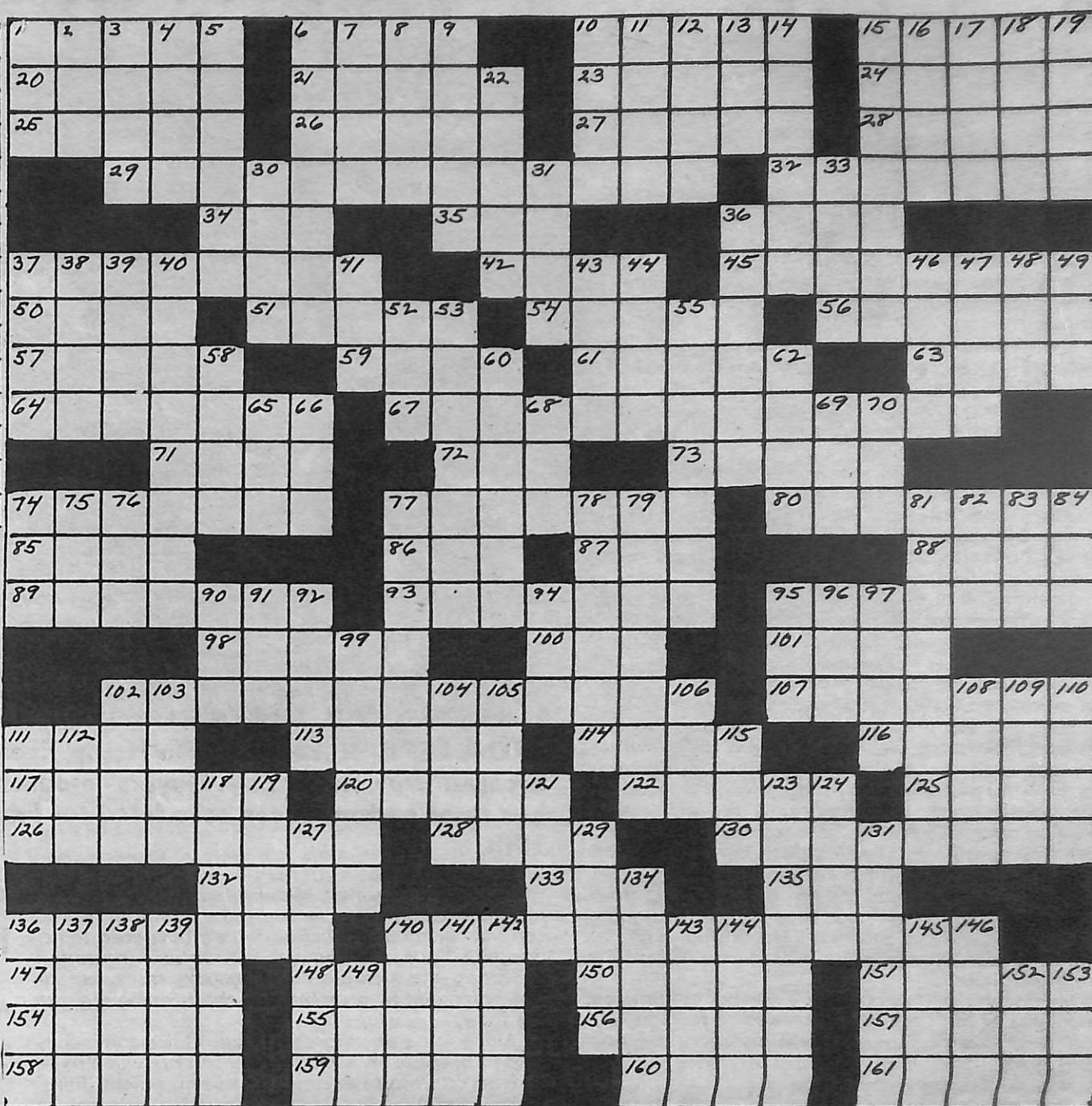
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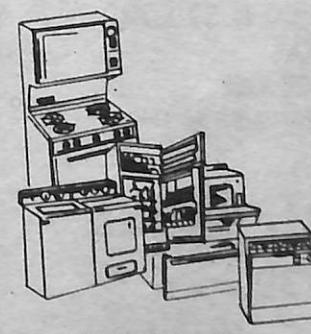
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Puppets Visit Library



LAST WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9TH, children from the community were treated to a puppet show based on the exploits of *Pinocchio*. The children were thrilled with this valuable public service provided by the library and were equally delighted by the show's creators (above) and puppets (below). Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



"Music At First" Series To End April 20th At Church

The Music Committee of First Church of Christ, Court Square, Springfield, is pleased to announce that the next concert of their "Music At First" series will be held Sunday afternoon, April 20th, at 4:00 p.m., in the Meeting House of the church.

This will be the Amherst Brass Ensemble, assisted by Charles Page, organ, and the First Church Choir. The program will include music composed or arranged for brass quintet/sextet, music for brass and organ, and choral music with organ and brass accompaniments by Strauss, Gabrieli, Weiner, Reiche, Bruckner, Vaughan Williams, Curnow, Broughton, Leidzen, Waller, Fillmore, Alford, and Gillis.

Members of the Amherst Brass Ensemble are: Ronald Bell, trumpet; Douglas Purcell, trumpet; John Jenkins, horn; David Sporny, trombone; Paul Appleby, euphonium, and William Venman, tuba.

The group was formed for the enjoyment of performing music for brass, and the wide variety of music to be performed on this program reflects the broad range of the interests of the members as well as the rich repertoire of music available for small groups.

Joining on this concert will be the church's 30-voice choir and professional quartet, including Deborah Trimble, soprano; Kirsten Shirer, alto; Ben Scranton, tenor; and Bruce Johnson, baritone.

Charles Page, minister of music at First Church, will play the Aeolian-Skinner organ with the brass and will direct and accompany the brass and choral works by Bruckner and Vaughan Williams.

The public is cordially invited to attend this, the final concert of the 1985-86 series. There is no admission charge. A reception will follow the concert giving all a chance to greet the musicians, socialize, and view the new exhibit in the First Church Gallery, "Sacred Jewish Art."



PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit
Entertainment Editor

-April Fool's Day: 1½ STARS

The plot of this humor-filled thriller centers on a rich college girl (Deborah Foreman) who subjects her classmates to a series of practical jokes during a weekend stay at her parents' ritzy and secluded house. Unfortunately, things grow grim very quickly when, one by one, her guests are brutally murdered by some unknown assailant.

April Fool's Day is, thus far, the best picture within the genre of horror films which feature the names of holidays in their titles. The performances are better than you'd expect, the violence and bloodshed are kept at a minimum, and the story contains a number of effective scenes that manage to be both funny and scary.

However, the movie is not good enough to deserve a recommendation. Its ending is a major disappointment that undermines all of the picture's positive aspects, and consequently, we're left with the feeling that we — like the characters early in the film — were the victims of a practical joke.

-Band of the Hand: 0 STARS

From Michael Mann, the creator of the hit television series *Miami Vice*, this drama deals with a group of five juvenile delinquents who, under the guidance of a Vietnam vet (Stephen Lang), are turned into a vigilante strike force in order to combat the criminals who infest the streets of Miami.

Not only does it have one of the stupidest titles I've ever heard of, but *Band of the Hand* also has some of the most amateurish performances to have ever been committed to celluloid. What's more, the good guys of the story are just as dislikable as the bad ones, so it's impossible for us to be in the least bit concerned as to who wins out in the end.

The film itself, meanwhile, is nothing but a sloppily-executed fiasco. The action moves along at a snail's pace, the plot glorifies wanton violence, and there's a pretentiousness to the entire picture which suggests that the makers of *Band of the Hand* actually believe that their fourth-rate action movie possesses a great deal of social significance.

-Lucas: 3 STARS

The title character of this charming and thoroughly entertaining film is a 14-year-old, slight-of-build intellectual (Corey Haim) who wants to be the boyfriend of a pretty 16-year-old girl named Maggie (Kerri Green). But, while Maggie does regard Lucas as a friend, she is romantically interested in Cappie (Charlie Sheen), one of her high school's football stars.

Despite having a plot which is predictable, *Lucas* is a

joy to watch because it is one of the best pictures about teenagers in recent years. The trials and tribulations of adolescence are treated with the perfect amount of tenderness and humor, and the movie gains a great deal of strength from a talented cast of teenage actors who turn in credible and moving performances.

Lucas is the kind of movie that can be enjoyed by people of all ages. Its warmhearted and humorous qualities will definitely make you laugh and probably bring a few tears to your eyes, and the story's true-to-life depiction of the teenage years will strike a chord within those who are currently living these "years" and those of us who have since experienced them.

-The Money Pit: 1½ STARS

Directed by Richard Benjamin (*My Favorite Year*), this comedy stars Tom Hanks and Shelley Long as a couple of lovebirds who purchase a one-million-dollar house for \$200,000. However, they soon learn that this abode is a white elephant that is in the process of falling apart, and this problem eventually puts a strain on their relationship.

Although Hanks (*Volunteers*) and Long (the TV sitcom *Cheers*) deliver skillful and funny performances, their commendable efforts are not able to save *The Money Pit* from the doldrums. The film is little more than a one-joke sketch that could have been successful as a 10-minute skit on *Saturday Night Live*.

Unfortunately for us, this sketch lasts for approximately 90 minutes on the silver screen. A house that continually falls apart is humorous to look at for a short while, but it does not make for a premise that has to sustain a feature-length picture.

-Police Academy 3: Back in Training: ½ STAR

All I am going to say about this totally unimaginative sequel are two things:

- 1) It does contain a couple of very funny moments, so I couldn't give it a rating of 0 STARS; and...

- 2) If you have HBO and/or another pay-movie cable channel, don't go to a theater to see this sequel. The first two *Police Academy* comedies are making the rounds on cable television this month, and both of these pictures provide the same jokes that their latest offspring does — without, however, forcing you to leave the comfort of your home.

*THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

—April Fool's Day: Rated R for some bloody violence and sexual situations.

—Band of the Hand: Rated R for violence and strong profanity.

—Lucas: Rated PG-13 for some mild profanity.

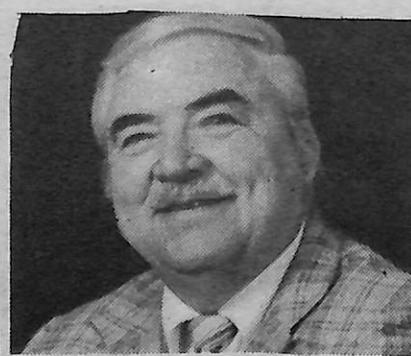
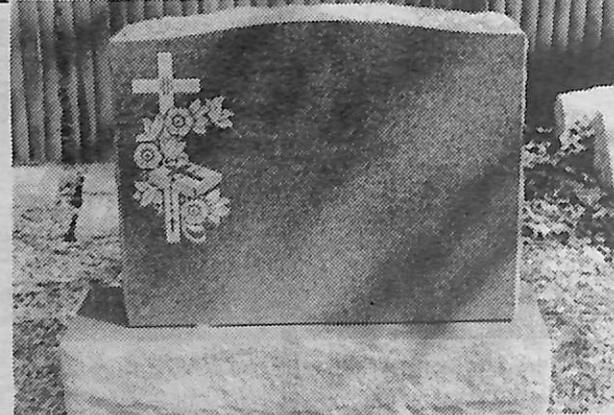
—The Money Pit: Rated PG for some mature humor.

—Police Academy 3: Back in Training: Same thing as *The Money Pit*.

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Schools

Barry Ending His Long Career As Local Educator

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

From Roosevelt to Reagan, Richard Barry's career in education has spanned over three decades.

The Agawam Public School System will officially bid a fond farewell to the 31-year eighth grade social studies teacher August 31st.

Barry explains that his decision to retire is based on a desire to travel and enjoy life with his wife, Elizabeth, a secretary at the senior high who also is retiring this year. "I want to travel while still in relatively good health," he said.

Hired in 1955 by former Superintendent of Schools James Clark to teach sixth grade at the former junior high school, he originally taught sixth grade at Williston Academy, Northampton, after completing three years in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Following his six-month position at the prestigious prep school, he received his bachelor of science degree from Georgetown University and master's of education degree from Villanova University. Barry then taught for seven years at Brunswick School in Greenwich, Connecticut, for one year at a public junior high school in Scarsdale, New York.

Completed Graduate Work

He eventually completed his graduate work at Columbia University, the University of Massachusetts, and Westfield State College.

Originally from Northampton where his father was superintendent of schools, he decided to leave New York and relocate in Western Massachusetts where towns were expanding and in need of teachers.

After teaching sixth grade for three years, former junior high Principal Raymond Harris asked Barry to teach both eighth grade history and math. The next year, when offered a choice between the two subjects, he chose history since it was a subject he "always enjoyed and found very interesting." Barry remained at the Main Street building until the new junior high opened in Feeding Hills 13 years ago.

The veteran educator states that he has thoroughly enjoyed his teaching career and has no regrets as to his choice of profession.

Although he has taught the same subject for the majority of his career, he says that he has never been bored with the material.

"Many people think that U.S. History is the same old thing. On the contrary, it continually changes as our nation grows and prospers," he notes.

BARRY points out that half of his present students are children of his former students. Likewise, several of his colleagues at the junior high also were his students.

Although the history curriculum has remained basically the same, students have changed greatly throughout the years.

"Twenty years ago, students were more industrious and less spoiled. They also were capable of completing more difficult assignments than students today," he remarks.

Barry believes that the Vietnam War era of the early 1970's perhaps was the most difficult time for students emotionally and socially.

Kennedy Assassination Had Great Effect

Moreover, he feels that the assassination of President John F. Kennedy was an historic event which affected them deeply.

According to him, today's students are more affectionate and are more willing to confide problems with faculty members than their counterparts of a quarter century ago.

BARRY says that there is nothing he has not liked about his job. He credits this to working under five good superintendents as well as four principals, including Raymond Harris, Charles Kistner, Paul Tatro, and Thomas O'Keefe.

The director of adult education at the senior high school for the past 24 years, Barry states that he will miss his fellow colleagues and students most when he retires.

Moreover, he will miss meeting town residents during his nightly visits to adult education classes.

When not visiting their children Richard Jr., and Maureen, who live in Boston, as well as Lisa, who lives in Washington, D.C., the Barrys intend to keep busy gardening and traveling.

The globetrotting couple, who will visit Ireland during school spring vacation, already have traveled to France and England.

A member of the Pioneer Valley Stamp Club, Barry is an avid sports fan who especially enjoys watching his alma mater, Villanova, play in the Big East Basketball Conference.

Thirty-one year residents of Deering Street, the couple have always enjoyed working in the community in which they have lived.



JUNIOR HIGH SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER Richard Barry will be retiring from the Agawam Schools as of August 31st. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Mary Ann Gentile Receives 1986 Barr Fellowship Award

The executive secretary of The Horace Smith Fund announced today \$38,500 in Barr Fellowships will be distributed to Hampden County residents for the 1986-87 school year.

Dr. William D. Tunis, chairman of the Fellowship Committee, informs us that \$16,000 will be awarded to eight new recipients, and an additional \$22,500 will be distributed to 15 previous winners who are still in graduate programs.

The 1986 winners included Mary Ann Gentile from Agawam.

Mary Ann Gentile graduated from Agawam High School and Quinnipiac College. She is working for her ph.d. in medical psychology at the University of Alabama, Birmingham.

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Carolyn Rosner Attains N. H. College President's List

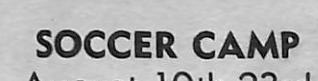
Carolyn Rosner has attained the President's List for the Fall 1985 semester at New Hampshire College in Manchester, New Hampshire. To be eligible for this honor, a student must compile a grade point average of 3.5 to 4.0.

Miss Rosner is the daughter of George & Nancy Rosner of Lawnwood Street, Agawam. She is a four-year marketing major at New Hampshire College.

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1st Annual Dinner To Fete Education Set By AEA May 7th

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

As a means of developing community awareness of the importance of quality education and teacher dedication, the Agawam Education Association is sponsoring the first Education Recognition Dinner, Wednesday, May 7th, at Chez Josef, Shoemaker Lane.

Over 300 educators as well as 18 administrators will be honored during the evening gala which will commence at 6:30 p.m.

Especially recognized that evening will be 18 teachers and eight administrators who have served 25 years or more in the Agawam Public School System.

Teachers to be feted include Jane Durkan, Vincent Valentine, John Porter, Richard Barry, Rodolfo Altobelli, Miriam Mackler, Geraldine Schilling-Nordal, Marjorie Sherman, Franceska Solon, Hasmig Ryer, Dorothea Nardi, Thomas Collins, Harriet Aspden, Helen Cosgriff, Frances Johnson, John Petrone, Sylvia Ready, and Lawrence Sheehan.

Honored administrators include Smith Rovelli, Barbara Skolnick, James Loomis, William Miller, David Bates, Clifford Kibbe, Thomas O'Keefe, and Darcy Davis.

Besides former middle school Principal Charles Kistner, who will serve as master of ceremonies, special invited guests include State Senator Linda Melconian, State Representative Michael P. Walsh, Massachusetts Teachers' Association Vice-President Roseann Bacon, and members of both the School Committee and Town Council.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be Francis Smith, language department chairman of Wayland High School and Massachusetts 1985 "Teacher of the Year."

Event chairwoman Priscilla Deveno extends a welcome to all residents and hopes the celebration will be a community affair.

Following a wine toast, the menu will consist of fresh fruit cup, a choice of three entrees, including boneless breast of chicken, roast beef au jus, or baked Boston scrod, fresh garden salad, relish tray, baked stuffed potato, green beans almandine, and ice cream parfait.

Mrs. Deveno, who diligently has been soliciting funds from local businesses and organizations to help defray dinner expenses, notes that this is the first large-scale celebration recognizing educators ever held in the Commonwealth.

She points out that the idea for such an event was derived by herself and members of the AEA public relations committee as a means of projecting education throughout the community.

Mrs. Deveno relates that the evening's musical entertainment will be provided by school department music Director Darcy Davis, who will conduct a group of alumni musicians.

As a special touch, 14 Agawam High School National Honor Society members will be in attendance to greet honored guests as they arrive, pin on their corsages and boutonnieres, and escort them to their tables.

The event coordinator credits the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Educational Collaborative for printing the gala's programs, posters, letterheads, and envelopes.

Moreover, she gratefully acknowledges the generous contribution made by the school system's five Parent Teacher Organizations, especially Phelps School, whose PTO purchased tickets for their entire 31-member staff.

Mrs. Deveno states that although a project of this magnitude requires a great deal of time and effort, she hopes another will take place in five years.

The deadline for purchasing tickets to this year's celebration is May 1st. Ticket cost is \$15 for roast beef and \$13.50 for both chicken and scrod. Tables seat 10 and may be reserved.

Anyone desiring tickets may contact either Mrs. Deveno, 569-3223, Nancy Hellquist, 786-2874, or Donna Watson, 786-5947, after 5:00 p.m.

Members of the Education Recognition Dinner committee who have worked exceptionally hard to make the celebration a success include Ann Bradford, Pat Sakellis, Larry Harbeson, Nancy Hellquist, Shirley Lertora, Vincent Valentine, Dennis Moran, Doris DeLevo, Donna Watson, Kevin Littlefield, Frances Green, Larry O'Brien, and Thomas Collins.

"We all look forward to townspeople participating in this momentous occasion which is long overdue," remarks Mrs. Deveno.

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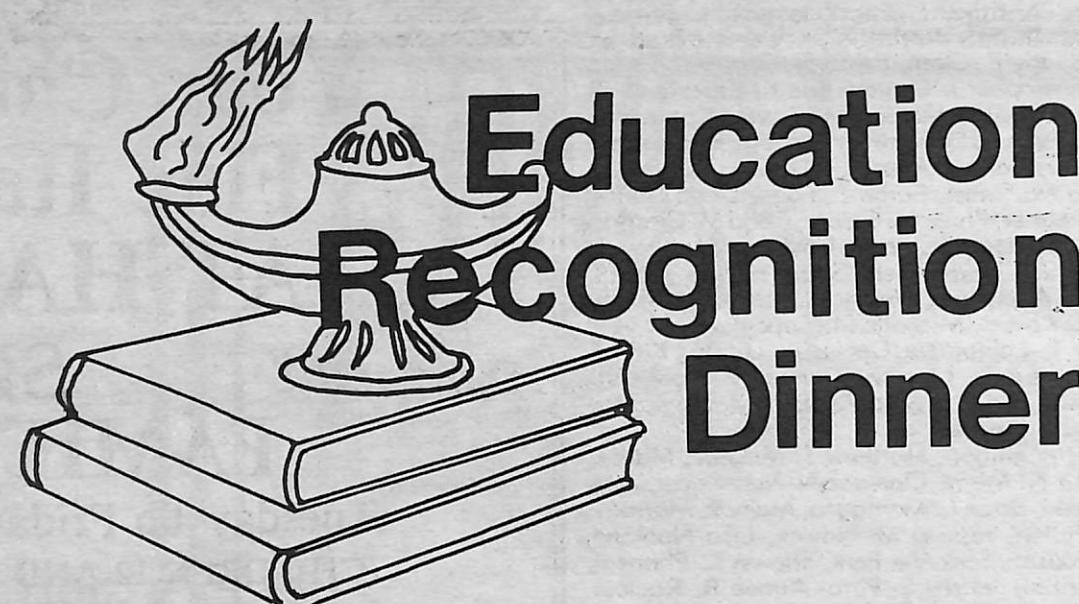
Agawam High Version Of "Statue of Liberty"



THE CRAFTS I CLASS OF AGAWAM HIGH ART TEACHER Frances Green constructed this replica of the Statue of Liberty from paper mache. Those involved with the project are, from left - John Mustain, David Thornhill, Bill Beauregard, Nick Buoniconti, Steven Hershowitz, Janine Sadowski, Jeff Smith, Kevin Barlow, Ericka Velasco, Ken Whitehead, Steven Chenevert, Peter Schindler, and Paul Poole. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Project S.E.E. Pupils Again Top Solvers

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

For the third consecutive year, local Project S.E.E. students won honors in the Massachusetts Future Problem Solving Bowl, which took place Saturday, March 22nd, at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge.

The four-member squad was one of 11 intermediate teams selected to compete in the prestigious event from a statewide field of 240.

Sponsored by the Massachusetts Association for Advancement of Individual Potential, Honeywell Information Systems, Lechmere, and the Massachusetts Department of Education, the highly-competitive event originated in 1974 as part of the National Future Problem Solving Bowl program.

The program's goals include developing critical and creative thinking skills; helping students develop a perceptive view of the future; encouraging young people to make knowledgeable decisions after investigating a variety of sources; assisting students to develop skills needed for teamwork; and acquiring and using organizational and precision skills in both oral and written communications.

Coached By Parent

Coached by parent Suzanne Mueller, eighth grade team members Barbara Murphy, Hans Mueller, Jennifer Daubney, and Eric Rose won second place honors for their solution-selling presentation, which addressed reforming the jury system.

Assisted by fellow Project S.E.E. students Jennifer Robinson, Frank Maniscalco, and Christopher Mahoney, the team was judged not only on the possible impact their solution would have upon the judicial system, but also the persuasiveness of their presentation.

Mrs. Mueller points out that on the day of the bowl, students received a "Fuzzy Problem," i.e., one with undefined limits.

She notes that prior to the competition, team members only knew that their "fuzzy problem" would deal with some aspect of the American legal system.

Consequently, the group had to research that subject in depth so that they would be familiar with its various aspects.

Aiding in their research, attorneys Peter Mazza, William Walsh, Jr., and William Fennell addressed the team concerning various judicial problems.

Moreover, Springfield Clerk of Courts John Brennan arranged for the students to visit the Hampden County Hall of Justice, where they spoke with two judges.

Mrs. Mueller explains that on the day of the competition, the four-member team was secluded in a classroom for two hours with only a proctor.

After brainstorming the problem, they had to divide it into subproblems and then restate it so that they had a specific aspect on which to concentrate.

Alternative Solutions Sought

Having done this, the team looked for alternative solutions, measured them against criteria, and then determined a plan of action.

Once the winning solutions were announced, each team had 1½ hours to develop a solution-selling presentation in the form of a skit. Four extra students were allowed to aid each of the teams during this phase of competition.

Mrs. Mueller reports that the eighth graders had five minutes to present their skit. The skit depicted the benefits of engaging a professionally trained and paid jury for criminal cases.

She credits parent Bill Rose for aiding the group with this endeavor since she was unable to attend the competition.

Set inside a cafe and courthouse, the two-act skit was enacted before a panel of judges comprised of educators, graduate students, and Honeywell employees.

The four-year coach notes that the group worked diligently preparing for the competition, meeting six hours a week after school and evenings since fall.

She relates that this was not an easy task since so many team members are involved in other extracurricular activities within and outside of school.

Mrs. Mueller says that for their efforts, team members received ribbons as well as a plaque, which they presented to junior high principal Thomas O'Keefe.

"Everyone was very pleased with their performance at the bowl. Teamwork perhaps was the major lesson taught that day," she remarks.

Other junior team members and coaches who participated in the Massachusetts Future Problem Solving Bowl included Jeremy Jacobsen, Addie DiMare, Diana Nolin, and Jesse Mueller, coached by Pamela Jacobsen; Lisa Dialessi, Joy-Ann Conte, Rachael White, and Amy Paradysz, coached by Bernadette Conte; and Suzanne Bergeron, Colleen Meagher, Gregory Bergeron, and Amanda Sunny, coached by Ann Bradford.



PROJECT S.E.E. PROBLEM SOLVERS who again distinguished themselves at MIT, Saturday, March 22nd, are, back row - Jen Robinson, Jennifer Daubney, Barbara Murphy, and Chris Mahoney. Front row - Eric Rose, Frank Maniscalco, and Hans Mueller. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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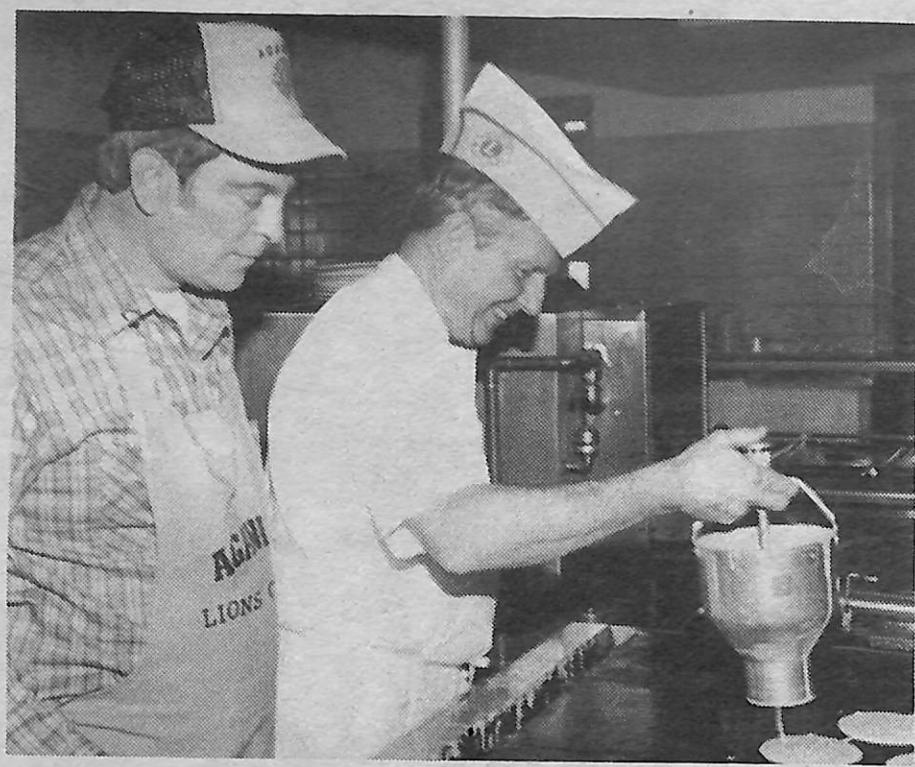
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AHS Band's Pancake Breakfast Fine Success



CHRIS & JEFF DRAPEAU enjoy their pancake breakfast prepared at the Agawam Middle School, Sunday, April 13th, for the benefit of the Agawam High Marching Mohawks. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM LIONS CLUB MEMBERS George Fedora (left) and Paul Fieldstad volunteered their services to help make the Agawam High Marching Mohawks Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, April 13th, a success. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam High Marching Mohawks Pursue Trips To Two Cities

The Agawam High School Marching Mohawks have decided to pursue the idea of attending the National Independence Day Parade in Washington, D.C., and Philadelphia.

Since the announcement of their selection to represent the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at this national event, expression of local support has been encouraging and a committee has been formed to check on the possible funding to attend these events.

Members of the band and color guard are being polled to be sure that they would be available for the trip on the July 4th weekend, and possible travel arrangements are being looked into.

The Agawam High Marching Mohawks are the current state and New England Parade Champions, hav-

ing won those titles at the Quincy Christmas Parade last December in the medium-size band classification.

The groups have also been undefeated in other parade contests during the fall and spring, including the Springfield Columbus Day Parade, The Bloomfield 350th Anniversary Parade, and the Worcester St. Patrick's Day Parade.

The Marching Mohawks will be attending the Dixie Band Classic, Virginia Beach, May 8th to 11th, where many bands from southern states as well as some from Pennsylvania and New Jersey will be competing in concert, jazz, and marching events.

Band members and parents are paying for the Virginia trip themselves, and have been aided in transportation funds by a number of local organiza-

tions. They are hoping that area and state groups may be able to help in attending the parades in Washington and Philadelphia, in addition to the support expressed by local groups.

Over the years, the group has attended many regional and national festivals, including contests in Wildwood and Atlantic City, New Jersey, New York City, Hershey, Pennsylvania, and Montreal and Niagara Falls, Canada.

However, this is the first time since 1962 that the group has been asked to represent Massachusetts at a national event.

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RETURNING VICTORIOUS from a music competition in Michigan were these Music Cellar students. Back row, from left - Mahrea Wray, Nicole Stocum, Tom Wray, and Hamilton Ray. Front row - Sandra Soja, Rayvan Wray, Billy Wray, and Kyle Stocum. *Advertiser News*

photo by Jack Devine.



THE WRAY FAMILY is quite proud of their musical accomplishments with the Music Cellar. (See story below). Back row, from left - Mahrea, Sally, Tom, and Hamilton. Front row - Rayvan, Michael, Bobby, and Billy. *Advertiser News* photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu

Monday, April 28th: Homemade vegetable soup, grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, oven french fries, catsup, applesauce, milk.

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These children represented New England and have been playing in the North American Invitational less than three years.

Members of the Wray family, better known as the "Wray 8" attended the invitational championship and all of the children won in their respective categories. All also qualified for the national championships in Nashville, Tennessee.

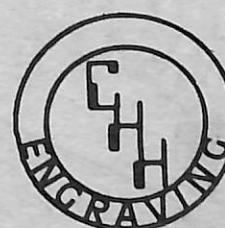
Wray family members who play for the Music Cellar include, Rayvan, 9, Michael, 7, Bobby, 5, Billy, 10, Mahrea 11, Mrs. Sally Wray, Tom, 15, and Hamilton, 16.

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Agawam High Show Choir Receives Gold Medal Trophy



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH SHOW CHOIR received a gold medal trophy at the Waltham Show Choir Festival, Saturday, April 12th. Members are pictured holding their trophy. Back row, from left - Lynn Fadolphi, Stacy Piccoli, Kara Tebaldi, Sean Welch, Chris Hamel, Brendon Hildreth, Terri Labonte, Missy Morin, and Karen Kilian. Front row - Leo Boucher, Doug Lush, Linda Groom, Nora Lloyd, Joe Bourbonnais, Vicki McCarthy, Lisa Kozel, Wayne Perry, and Bob Fazio. Don't forget - the Show Choir's BROADWAY REVIEW is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, April 17th and 18th, at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m., respectively, in the school's auditorium. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam AFS Hosts Group From New York



THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL American Field Service Club (AFS) hosted AFS students from Williamsville, New York, for a five-day short-term exchange. Here, Agawam AFS students welcome Jin Sato of Japan at a Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the school's band, Sunday, April 13th. From left - Barbara Garrity, club vice-president; Ericka Velasco, Agawam exchange student from Mexico City; Sato, and Agawam club members David Ziegert, Marie Tourville, and Kristy Wage. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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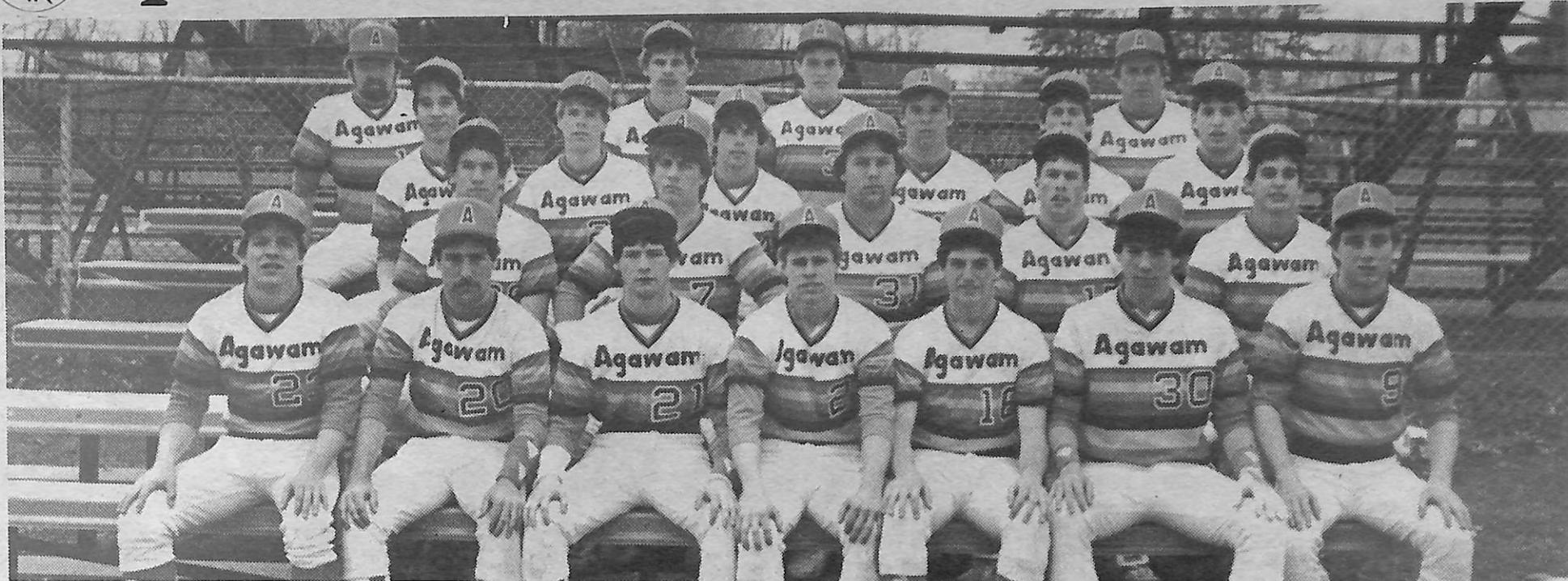
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MEMBERS OF THE 1986 Agawam High varsity baseball team. Back row, from left - assistant coach Ed Morace, Rob Regish, Dave Pemberton, and head coach Gerry Smith. Third row - Dan Oberle, Steve Miliken, Don Hume, Tom King, Jay Miller, and Paul Scoville. Second row - Chris Bowry, Bob Barbarini, Mickey Lunden, Bob Altobelli, and Pete Saracino. Front row - Gerry Allen, Pete Sibilia, Tim Sheehan, Steve Pedro, Larry Eldridge, Mike Chausse, and Tony Ingham. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Experience Season-Opening Slump...

Brownie Baseball Cracked Twice, Now 0-2-1

by Todd Holt
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The early-season problems for the Agawam High varsity baseball team continued to mount after consecutive lop-sided losses to Springfield Cathedral and Westfield.

Not only are the potent Brownie bats issuing the sounds of silence but the pitching staff, a real worry for veteran coach Gerry Smith going into the season, was shelled by both the Panthers and Bombers.

Senior hurler Paul Scoville took the brunt of the lumps when Cathedral handed the Brownies a 7-1 drubbing, Thursday, April 10th, at Harmon Smith Field.

Things didn't get much better for AHS, the pre-season picks to take the Valley Wheel, when the Bombers laid the wood to the locals, 14-4, featuring a pair of grand slam homeruns. Three Brownie pitchers shouldered the burden of the Bombers' barrage.

Smith, an intense coach who is frustrated by the team's April blues, said following the Westfield loss, "Once our pitching fell apart, it was all downhill for us. We can only hope that things will come together in our next few games."

Westfield used one huge inning against pitcher Steve

Miller to score many of its runs. A grand slam and a wildpitch helped the Westfield cause at their homefield. For the Brownies, seniors Mickey Lunden and Tony Ingham, and junior slugger Bob Altobelli had multiple hit games for the locals.

At presstime, Wednesday, April 16th, the locals were to finish their game vs. independent West Springfield, at Harmon Smith Field. The two teams collided on opening day in a 2-2 tie that was called because of darkness.

At presstime, the Brownies are off to an 0-2-1 start.

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Montesi Again Saves Brownie Gals; Locals Off To 3-1 Start

by Todd Holt
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Michelle Montesi show continues for the Agawam High School girls' varsity softball team.

At Harmon Smith Field, Tuesday, April 15th, the Brownies raised their record to 3-1 by virtue of a 4-2 victory over very scrappy West Springfield.

Montesi pitched and batted the Brownies to victory lane. With the game deadlocked at 2-2 in the sixth, Montesi launched a tape-measure homer to leftfield to put the Brownies out front for good, 3-2.

Montesi also replaced starting pitcher Becky Runshaw in the fourth frame and blanked West Side the rest of the way to pick up her third victory of the season. She has now hurled the Brownies to 18 straight shutout innings in these three wins.

Coach Cindy Grieve had nothing but praise for her charges after this one. "While Michelle (Montesi) has played a major role in our good start this year, we have been together as a team. We won a game that we needed and that's a very good sign for us."

The Brownies were coming off a thrilling, 7-5 setback to Springfield Cathedral, Friday, April 10th, played in the Panthers' backyard. The Brownies were rocked by the Panthers early and often, trailing 7-1 going into the sixth inning.

However, the locals staged a vigorous four-run rally that closed the tally to within 7-5 before the Panthers finally managed to extinguish the fires. Cathedral is tabbed as perhaps the premiere schoolgirl softball team in Western Mass. this season. Naturally, Miss Grieve was pleased with her team's comeback.

"I think we went in somewhat nervous but the girls really showed a lot of character by battling back like that. So far, we've shown a lot of team character and I like that," offered Miss Grieve.

The Brownies will face Holyoke High at presstime, at Harmon Smith Field.

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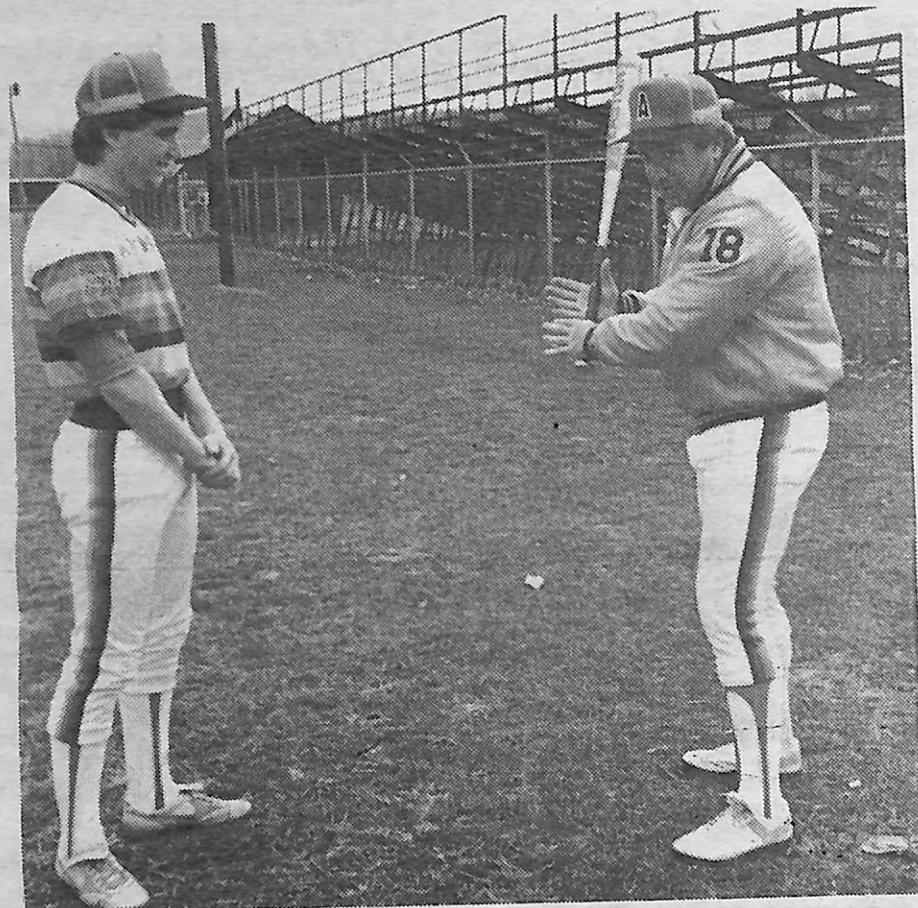


THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM certainly has its share of seniors this year. Back row, from left - Dave Pemberton and Paul Scoville. Middle row - Steve Miliken, Chris Bowry, Bob Barbarini, Mickey Lunden, Don Hume, and Peter Saracino. Front row - Gerry Allen, Pete Sibilia, Tim Sheehan, Steve Pedro, Mike Chausse, and Tony Ingham.

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VETERAN AGAWAM HIGH BASEBALL COACH Gerry Smith (right) gives senior Tony Ingham several batting pointers before a recent game at Harmon Smith Field. Advertiser

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AHS Baseball Conducting Candy Drive



THE AGAWAM HIGH BASEBALL TEAMS will be conducting a benefit candy drive, Saturday, April 19th. Funds collected will be put towards the scholarship fund. Preparing for the candy sale are team members, back row, from left - Bob Barbarini, Bob Altobelli, Mickey Lunden, and Tony Ingham. Front row - Peter Sibilia, Mike Chausse, and Peter Saracino. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

EL Again Stops AHS Girls In Tennis; Boys Take Knights, 3-2

by Todd Holt
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The jinx continued for the Agawam High girls' tennis team when it lost a close match, 2-1, to defending Western Mass. Division II champs East Longmeadow, Wednesday, April 9th, in East Longmeadow. They quickly rebounded with a close, 3-2 victory over West Springfield, Monday, April 14th, on the Terriers' home courts.

Against EL, the same team who defeated the Brownies in the Division II finals a year ago, Brownie winners were Cathy Jemiolo in first singles, who defeated Lisa Griswold, 6-4, 6-3, and second singles Cindy Slate, who eliminated Buffy Tarsa, 6-2 6-3.

However, the Brownies fell in third singles, and first and second doubles to give EL the tough victory. The locals will be again seeking for revenge when they face EL at Harmon Smith Field in a return match later this year.

The Brownies evened their record at 1-1 when they edged the Terriers on the road. Veteran coach Mary Wolochowicz received three victories in singles play, while her two doubles teams bowed in close matches.

Cathy Jemiolo won her second consecutive match in first singles by overwhelming Kris Sakalis, 6-1, 6-1. Cindy Slate then disposed of Karen Ormsby, 6-1, 6-4 for her second straight victory in second singles. Finally, Joelle Dion had an easy time with Karen Newcombe, 6-1, 6-1 to clinch the victory for AHS.

The doubles teams really put on a good show despite losing. The first tandem of Barbara Garrity and Amanda Long lost to the Terriers' Young Lee and Kara Dowd, 5-7, 6-3, 4-6. The second doubles team of Kim Downing and Sandy Peltier also had their hearts broken when Kathy Ormsby and Ann Marie Sweeney won in three sets, 6-4, 3-6, 4-6.

Miss Wolochowicz noted that both doubles teams won the opening sets of their respective matches and proved they can win when they concentrate and play smart tennis. "Both Downing and Peltier have very little experience and they worked very hard despite losing to West Side," said Miss Wolochowicz.

The Brownies will open their 1986 home season at presstime, Thursday, April 17th, when Chicopee High comes to town.

The Agawam High boys' tennis team, the defending Division B champs, evened its record at 1-1 when they stopped Holyoke High, 3-2, Monday, April 14th, at Harmon Smith Field.

Second singles Chris Ollari, a sophomore, won his match against the Purple Knight's Trey Cushman (7-5, 6-1) and third singles teammate Bob Coelln also raced to the winner's circle by identical scores (7-5, 6-1).

The first doubles pair of Jeff Dietzschler and Todd Couture nailed down the win for Agawam by knocking off their opponents in straight sets. The Knights won first singles and second doubles.

The Brownies and second-year coach Rick Hayden are scheduled to face East Longmeadow at presstime, Thursday, April 17th, in an away match.

Polish American Club Leads Pro Mid-Town Bowling League

With just one week remaining in Round Four of the MidTown Pro Bowling League, Polish American Club of Feeding Hills holds a one-point lead over Valenti's Restaurant and MidTown Bowl.

Polish Club defeated Springfield Police Athletic Association, 2-1. Dick Smus led the winners with a 401 series.

MidTown swept three points from Tiffany's as Charlie Jutras fired a 406 series for MidTown.

Charlie Lecuyer rolled a 173 string and a 419 triple, both new seasonal highs in Class AA to lead Valenti's Restaurant to a key win over Jack & Harry's Garage of Feeding Hills, 2-1. Rick Gelinas rolled a 394 for Jack & Harry's.

Alan Larivee posted a 406 series (second high in Class AA) and Guy Boccasile added a 377 as the Rollaway Rink downed Murphy's Pop Stop, 2-1.

MIDTOWN PRO LEAGUE STANDINGS

Polish American Club	13-8
Valentini's Restaurant	12-9
MidTown	12-9
Tiffany's	10½-10½
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Murphy's Pop Stop	9-12
Jack & Harry's Garage	8½-12½

Brownies Track Blasts Bulldogs, 120-24

by Todd Holt
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Coach Gus Young wasn't kidding when he said the 1986 version of the Agawam High boys' track team were strong contenders in Western Mass. Division I.

The Brownies opened up their spring season with a 120-24 dismantling of Springfield Classical, Tuesday, April 15th, at Harmon Smith Field.

On a day when the Internal Revenue Service was collecting last-day taxes from many people who owed the feds money, the Brownies were collecting first place finishes galore en route to sweeping many events.

The Bulldogs brought a small team to town and when pitted against a much larger Brownie force, it was over before it even began. In fact, Classical was unable to field competitors in several events to allow the homefolks easy forfeit wins.

"Today was a good tune-up for us before we face Longmeadow (Friday, April 18th)," said Young. "They should be a good test for us following this meet."

First place finishers for Agawam were many. They included: New Zealand exchange student Alan McFall, high hurdles; Jon Corso, mile in 441.5; 4 x 110-yard relay team of Kevin Long, Vin Cardaropoli, Mike McCarthy and McFall, 48.6; Bob Allen, 440-yard dash, 56.5; sophomore Ralph Esempio, two-mile, 11:29; Nick Paquette, 880-yard run, 2:12; Long, intermediate hurdles, 45.4; Tony Moccio, shotput, 38 feet; Jeff Peterson, discus, 115.9 feet, and triple jump, 37 feet; Matt Lawrence, pole vault, 9.6 feet; and Joe Kosinski, high jump, 5.8 feet.

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BC Running Away With Round Three Of Tri-Parish Bowling

Boston College, the Round One champions, are riding sky-high after nine weeks of rolling in Round Three. BC has 27½ wins, good for first place. They are easily outdistancing Notre Dame (2nd-2½ wins), St. Louis (3rd-20 wins), St. Michael (4th-20 wins), Catholic University (5th-19½ wins), and Holy Cross (6th-19½ wins).

However, as it can be plainly witnessed, there is a wild scramble for second place. Because BC took Round One and apparently will win Round Three as well, that means BC and Georgetown (Round Two winners) automatically qualify for the Grand Championships, Monday, April 28th.

According to league rules, there must be three teams in the Grand Championships. This gives many teams a shot at all the marbles by taking second place in Round Three, including defending Grand Champion St. Louis.

BC solidified its hold on first place by cruising past lowly Loyola (11th place-13 wins), three wins to one. After Loyola's SHARON ROVITHIS (266) and MAYBETH "Miss Consistent" COUGHLIN (278) gave the losers an early advantage, it was substitute JOHN O'CONNELL time.

O'Connell destroyed our sad jewelry expert, RON HAMEL, 369-278. What a night for John. Then, BC captain BOBBY MOCCIO crushed the very outclassed and distraught Loyola captain EDDIE ANDERSON, 327-264. "I just might be hanging up my shoes after this year," said Anderson afterwards.

Perhaps, Eddie is ready to qualify for over-the-hill status.

St. Mary really put the heartache and pain on Notre Dame, four wins to none. If ND has taken several wins, they would be in a much better position. The big story in this one was the rolling of St. Mary's STEVE DEVANEY. He buried 351 pins en route to his best night of the year. Devaney was laughing all the way back to his place of employment, the popular Da Vinci's Restaurant.

Also coming through was St. Mary's fine captain, FRED MORASSI, 344-303 over outmatched ND captain JOHN RESCIGNO. RENEE JURY did manage to hit a decent 293 for the losers, and PEG TASSINARI won her match with a 268.

St. Louis took three wins from Georgetown (10th place-13 wins). St. Lou is desperately trying to get back into the playoffs to defend its Grand Championship. St. Lou winners were FELIX PEPPER (310). MIKE O'CONNELL, JR. (a very huge 355-316 victory over CHERYL PRZESZLO), and STELLA BARBIERI (288). The only win G-Town could muster came when captain AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO chopped-up St. Lou captain DEBBIE POIRIER, 363-313. "The Fearsome One's" big night, however, really did not mean much at this time.

The surprising Catholic University moved into fifth place at the expense of slump-ridden St. Michael, four wins to none. What a night for CU. CU winners were DORIS KRYZKOWSKI (260), VENETTA SNYDER (273), and captain JIM SNYDER (a major league score of 361 pins in defeating former Agawam High football star PAUL DEZIELLE-301). The only individual win for St. Michael's was by captain MIKE O'CONNELL, 326-290 over STEP STEPANIAN.

But it was still the sounds of frustration heard from O'Connell. On a night when he gets his act together (326), the rest of his team falters. And when his team rolls well, then he falls apart. St. Mike's is much like the Boston Red Sox - look good on paper but are all wet behind the ears.

Holy Cross used four victories over Fordham (9th-17 wins) to get back into the playoff picture (sixth place). If Fordham had turned the tide in its favor, they would be fighting for second and not saying "Wait 'till next year."

HC winners were just two, but oh were they important. Third roller ERNIE BLAIR fired a 320-307 victory over RICH SNYDER. Then, Stu Stork had the best score of the night in completely destroying ANN O'CONNELL, 384-271. That was a spread of 113 pins and as Ann put it, "Stu really buried me tonight. There wasn't much I could do because I was bowling very poorly."

Unfortunately, there is no score from the St. Anselm (7th-18 wins) vs. Villanova (last place) match. Perhaps, "The Lordly Barber," FRANK RESCIGNO, decided to do his rolling along the bar of J.W. Wimpy's. The Lordly Barber's team has not seen too many kind times since the end of Round One last November. See ya next year, Frankie.

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Gary Desimone Helps Special Olympics



GARY DESIMONE, left, of Agawam, and Steve Bonesteel (third from left), coaches of the Springfield Golden Nuggets, a Special Olympics basketball team of the Springfield Recreation Department, map strategy during halftime at the Special Olympics Spring Games, April 4th to 6th, at Fort Devens. The Golden Nuggets are the defending champions in the Master's "A" division. They were defeated by the Triangle Tigers from Malden in the semifinals.

Frosh Nine Rally Past Westfield In Opener, 7-4

by Todd Holt

Advertiser News Sports Editor

The sun wasn't the only thing shining Monday, April 14th, at the Agawam Junior High School. Freshman coach Lou Conte's ballclub sparked as they rallied in the fifth inning for four runs en route to a 7-4 decision over visiting Westfield on opening day.

Conte received fine pitching and timely hitting in his team's open day win. The Warriors drew first blood in the second frame when George Corgan received a bases-loaded walk to score Aaron Vanderhoof from third. The Warriors failed to capitalize any further on this excellent scoring opportunity, however.

Westfield almost pulled even in its half of the third but the locals pulled-off a spectacular doubleplay to end the threat. With a Westfield runner on third base and one out, a high flyball to centerfield was put away by Tom Padden. The runner on third then tagged and raced for the plate. Padden uncorked a perfect strike to catcher Bill Moccio to nail the runner, ending the inning.

In the fifth inning, Westfield made more noise but this time on the scoreboard by scoring twice, taking a 2-1 lead. The Warriors then responded with four runs of their own in their half of the inning for a 5-2 advantage.

Ninth grade pitcher John Serra, a tall and rangy

sort, pitched five brilliant innings. He registered 10 strikeouts before giving way to Padden, who did a nice job in relief to record the save.

Agawam's Tim Bellows, Moccio, and Serra all doubled to help the offensive cause.

The Warriors, at presstime, will be facing another home contest, this time vs. West Springfield, Thursday, April 17th.

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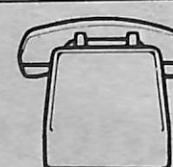
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Riggott Captures Riverside Feature

Ted Riggott of Hartland, Connecticut, started on the pole in the second round of the Century Subaru Wizard of Deal 50 lap event for the Nascar Winston Modifieds, before a moderate crowd at Riverside, Saturday, April 12th.

While Riggott did an impressive job out in front, there were several great battles going on throughout the 22 car starting field.

Jerry Marquis started fourth after having a real tough night. He broke a dry sump belt in the warm-ups and almost didn't make his heat or the feature.

In the main event, Marquis was just awesome, rim-riding lap-after-lap with the Somers Auto Parts Cavalier. Behind Riggott and Marquis was a six-car battle that swapped positions and changed spots both high and low on the race track.

Leading this pack of cars were Ray Miller (Jason Tool-Good Humor Cavalier), defending track champion John Rosati (Young-Southwick Motors), Bob Polverari, the four-time champion (West Hartford Tool & Dye), point-leader Stan Greger (Norgaard Machine), and Reggie Ruggiero (G&R Automotive).

Ruggiero was involved in a spin and was forced to the pit. Mike Stefanik also was forced to pit with a tire problem. The 340 Bonus went to Joe Bubbico.

Following Riggott to the checker (after a caution with five laps to go) were Marquis, Miller, Rosati, and Polverari.

Just out of the top ten were Greger, Ruggiero, Dan Avery, S.J. Eversion, and Stefanik. Riggott was quick to thank Precision Automotive, Koszella Speed, and Holmes and Bahre for the victory. "We ran the whole night on old tires. I thought we weren't going to make another caution and I would have lost it. The track is really starting to get hooked-up. I really like it," said Riggott.

Modified heat races were won by Riggott, Avery, Polverari, and Mark Fluery. All received Century Subaru Bonus Cash. Riggott received \$1,100 for the victory and \$100 in bonus cash.

From the 11th starting spot, Gary Fiomonti used the outside lane to his advantage to dominate a division of 44 Street Stocks, winning the feature event. Gary Parenti led the first lap as Dan Lavoie led the next eight.

Also in the hunt was Brian Crunden and John Lobo, Jr. At the checker was Fiomonti, Brian Crunden, Lobo Jr., Dan Lavoie, and Doug Choinard. Rounding out the top ten were Dan Gifford, Wayne Thrall, Dan Delena, Tim Barrett, and Joe Hamm.

Street Stock Heats were won by Rick Swanson, Hamm, Lobo, Luke Scanlon, and Dan Gifford. All received \$100 in Bonus Money from Century Subaru.

"I really like the new track. I am glad to have been able to run the outside. That was my secret tonight. I want to give credit to Teddy Bear Pools, John's Sunoco, and Chicopee Auto Exchange," said Fiomonti.

Next week it will be the Dave Furioni Memorial presented by Norgaard Machine and Leisure Time Canvas. It will be a 50-lap feature for the Nascar Modifieds and a 25-lap feature for the Pro Stocks. Gates open at 5:00 p.m. with action at 7:00 p.m.



SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

by Bill Chiba

Gaudette's Pay A Visit

Dick Gaudette and his wife, Dolores, dropped over for a visit recently. They left their Vermont home for the weekend. Dick reports that there are a lot of deer in the fields and turkeys are being seen frequently along the side of the dirt roads eating gravel.

Trout fishing opened April 12th, and Dick is anxious to hit the streams in the vicinity of Starkboro, where the and Dolores relocated.

Sport fishing is a very important industry to the state of Vermont. It is now considered a major contributor to Vermont's economy. Research has shown that sport fishing is contributing \$72 million to the state's economy each year. The study analyzes anglers' expenditures for food, lodging, fishing, tackle, bait, gasoline, vehicles, and other related items.

Vermont Fish & Wildlife Commissioner Steve Wright says, "Fishing dollars are especially important to Vermont for two reasons. The money is spent in virtually all communities, while some other forms of recreation tend to be concentrated, and the interest in fishing dramatically increases during April and May each year. This gives the economy a boost after the skis are off and before summer visitors get here."

\$217 Million For 1986

State fish and wildlife agencies will receive more

than \$217 million in federal excise tax receipts to support their management and research programs in 1986.

The 1986 total is nearly double that of 1985 due to the addition of the expansion legislation signed into law in 1984 by President Ronald Reagan. The bill is commonly known as "Wallop Breaux," which increased fishery restoration efforts by more than \$73 million.

Massachusetts and Connecticut will each receive \$1,099,593 from the Sport Fish Restoration Funds.

Connecticut will receive from the Wildlife Recreation Funds \$461,705 for Wildlife Restoration and \$292,663 for hunter education. Massachusetts will do a little better. It will receive \$461,705 for wildlife restoration and \$453,906 for hunter education. Funds for wildlife restoration and hunter safety programs come from an 11 percent excise tax on sporting arms and ammunition, a 10 percent tax on pistols and revolvers, and an 11 percent tax on certain archery equipment.

While hunter safety funds are based on the relative population of the states, they are allowed the option, however, of using hunter safety funds for wildlife restoration projects.

The Sandisfield Rod and Gun Club will hold its next three meetings April 16th, which is for election of officers, May 21st and June 18th, at the Community Center, Route 57, Sandisfield.

The fishing derby for kids will be held May 24th, at Pinsky's Field from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Members are asked to have their raffle tickets sold and returned to Edna Levenworth, SR 66, Box 169, Sandisfield, MA, 01255, before May 19th. The proceeds of the raffle are used to make the fishing derby a success.

Bowhunter's Shoot

The Agawam Bowmen Club, Inc., will hold a 28 life-size free standing animals 3-D Shoot April 27th, at the Agawam Bowmen Club grounds. Registration is from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Food will be available. Come early and stay late.

First Varsity Win As Coach For Vecchiarelli

by Todd Holt
Advertiser News Editor

A jubilant Agawam High girls' track team, using much emotion and some raw talent easily, turned away Holyoke High in the opening day meet for both teams, Tuesday, April 15th, in the Paper City.

First-year varsity coach Dean Vecchiarelli, who is an assistant varsity football coach and also served as assistant varsity track coach, savored his initial win in this rookie season. Vecchiarelli said, "It was a lot of fun today but I told my girls not to let the win go to their heads. We have a long way to go."

While this is true, the young Brownies, who do not have one senior on the team this year, already have gained confidence in themselves and their new coach. Many of the locals were competing on the varsity level for the first time.

Individual standouts vs. Holyoke were (all first place finishes): Danielle Fieldstad, 110-yard high hurdles;

Karen Daborowski, 100-yard dash, discus, 65.11½ feet; Tina Walsh, high jump, 4.6 feet; Karen McCarthy, two-mile, 14.34; Kim Zielinski, 220-yard dash, 29.1; Laurie Brunelle, shotput, 24.8 feet; and Samantha Doran, 440-yard run.

Also, Judy Pignatire, 880-yard run, javelin; 4 x 110-yard relay team of Daborowski, Sullivan, Montesi, and Zielinski, 55 seconds; and the mile relay team of Pignatire, Doran, Wright, and Barr, 4:58.

The Brownies will hold their home opener, Friday, April 18th, vs. Springfield Commerce in a league meet.

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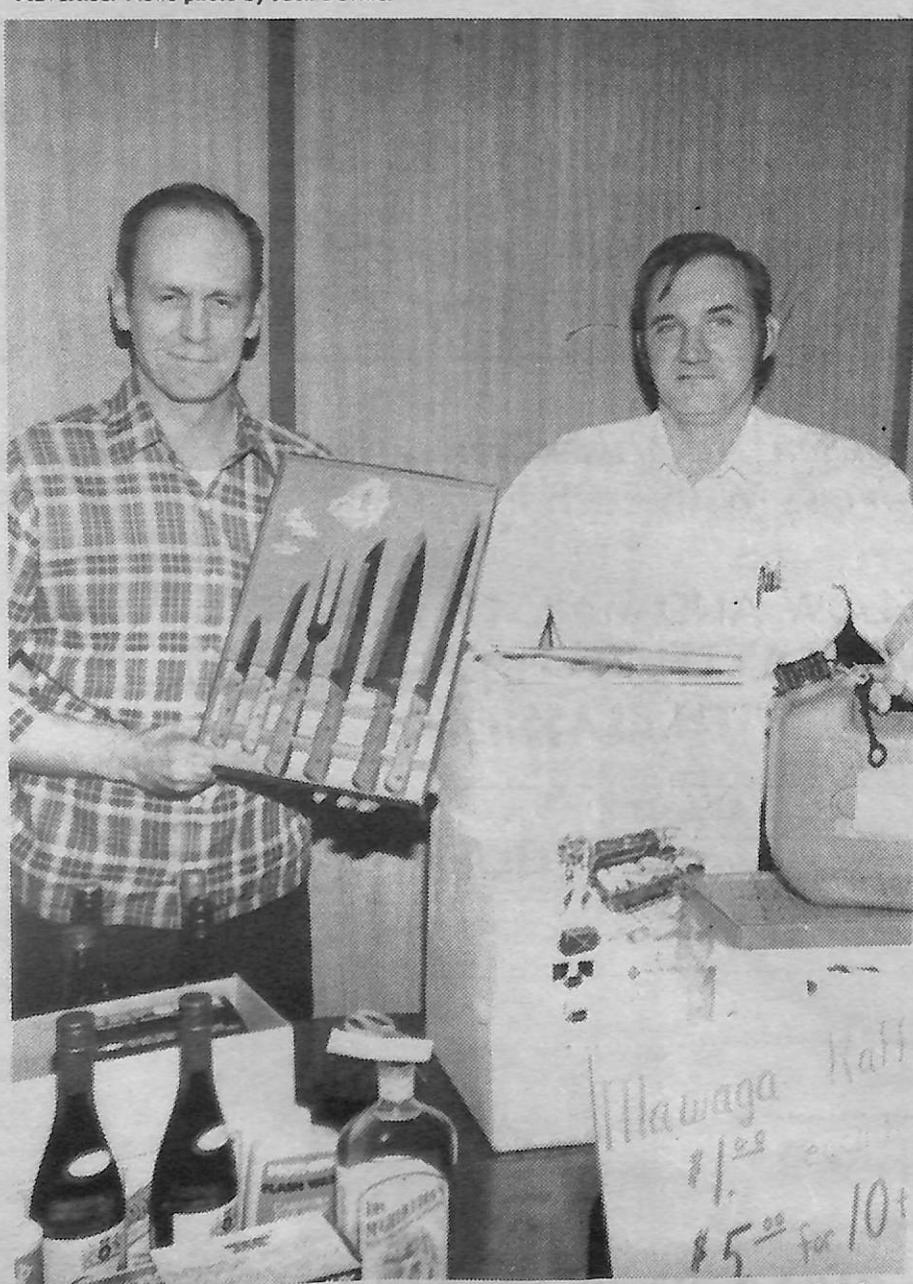


MAWAGA CLUB MEMBER ROGER ANDERSEN assists his two favorite fishermen, grandchildren Craig Hargraves and Tara Andersen at the club's Annual Fishing Derby, Sunday, April 13th, at the club's pond.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE MAWAGA SPORTING CLUB held its Annual Banquet, Friday, April 11th, at its clubhouse. Here, helping to prepare food and work the kitchen are - Joe Conte, Woodie Dezielle, Terry Letellier (chef), Frank Gamelli (chef), and Harry Camyre. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



HOLDING VIGIL at the raffle prize table at last Friday night's Annual Banquet of the Mawaga Sporting Club are, from left - Bernie Paine, club president (left) and Bill Raymond, event chairman. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ENJOYING CHOCOLATE DONUTS AND JUICE just before the Mawaga Club's Annual Fishing Derby, Sunday, April 13th, are Christopher and Jason Rheaume, ages 8 and 4, respectively. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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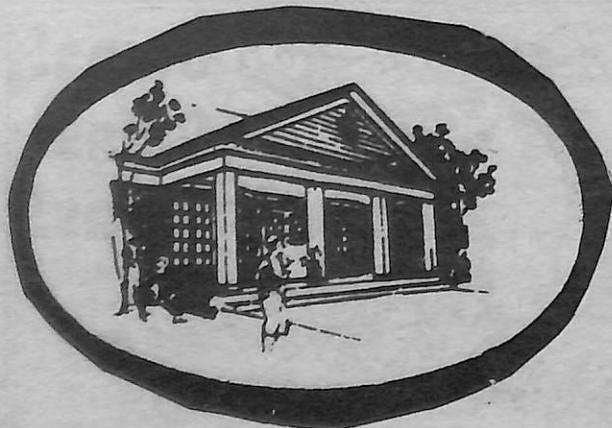


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